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HIGH HANDED HYPOCRISY.

Prominent Colored Clergymen Ejected from a White

Baptist Convention—An Effort to Colonize the Colored Delegates, Promptly Sat Down Upon,

Louisville, Ky., Special.

Rev. Frank, pastor of Fifth Street Baptist church, did not find the white southern Baptists as sociable as he had expected, for he walked into a church in Nashville, last Friday, and he was promptly led out by a policeman. Your correspondent called to inquire of Rev. Frank, if this report was true; he said it was, but that he could not stop to give me a statement now as he must soon go to church; but you call at my church to-night (Sunday) and I will gladly tell you, for I want the world to know it. The reporter went to church and below is the text and the sermon of Rev. Frank. The text was, "God has no respect of Person." He said: "While I was waiting at the depot in Nashville, Saturday, for the train, there stood a typical southerner; he reminded me of Jeff Davis although I never saw him, I have seen his likeness. He asked me if I had been to the white southern Baptist convention. I told him yes but I never expected to go again. He wanted to know why. Simply because I do not care to be led out by a policeman. I asked him what he thought of it, he said: 'Well I don't know I guess its wrong.' Of course he would not say because he was a southerner himself. Rev.'s Paris, Clark, and I went into the convention, Friday, and took a seat among the white brethren and presently secretary Foster came down and said: 'Gentlemen, those seats over in the corner are for the colored brethren.' I told him that I did not want a reserved seat. He said: 'Well those seats are not reserved, but we have left them for the colored people.' Well, I will not go in them, remarked Mr. Frank. 'Well, if you don't you must get out of the house; one of the two things you must do, or else I will have you put out by an officer.' Well, that is what you will have to do, gentlemen, for I will not go over to that nigger corner. Presently another member came down and asked me to take those seats over in the corner please, for they did not want to have any trouble; no neither do we but we will not go in those seats. I asked this gentlemen to tell Dr. Eaton, of Louisville, to come down; he went and told Dr. Eaton to go down and see those men and get them to go out. Mr. Eaton came and said: 'Brethren, we don't want to have any trouble here to-day wont you all take those seats that have been prepared for you?' I told him in plain words I would not for "God has no respect of Person" so we sat there and in a few minutes we looked back and in came a policeman and he exclaimed "Where are they?" The police evidently expected to find a crowd of drunken men or a gang of thieves or something of that kind, but instead he saw when he came in three colored gentlemen and not the cut throats or thieves that he expected to have to deal with. He came to us and said: 'Gentlemen, you all must get out,' and with this remark, he caught me by the arm and led us three out of the white southern convention hall into the street and let us go with this remark. 'Gentlemen, don't blame me I am only doing my duty as an officer.' We told him we did not blame him. Rev. Frank said he was not frightened when he saw the officer but he thought he might lock him up, so he took a piece of paper from his pocket and wrote, Nashville, Tenn., Dear friends, I have been arrested because I went into the white convention here and locked up because I refuse to sit in the nigger corner, but the name of the person he wrote this to he refuses to say. Rev. Frank said, We went to the depot after the officer let us loose I started to telegraph to all of the northern white Baptists and tell them of this southern outrage upon the colored ministers of Kentucky but Brother Paris said: 'Don't do that it might do us more harm than good.' So I went to the post office and wrote a postal card to every white Baptist preacher in the union that I knew and told them of this outrage. I went to a white newspaper office and told the editor of it and asked him to publish it but he was a southerner in the first degree and he said: 'I will have to get the other side of the affair first.'

On Wednesday, May 17th, Louisville was visited by another disastrous conflagration which rendered many colored people homeless. Fire broke out in the rear of Ewings & Son dairy on Breckenridge street and before the flames could be gathered under control, they destroyed the residence of Mrs. Susie Rigings with all of its contents. She did not save anything and barely escaped with her life. Also Mrs. Mary Taulbert lost every thing she possessed on earth; she had to escape in her night robe to save her life. Mrs. Cerelda Smith had her furniture damaged by water, to the extent of several hundred dollars. Misses Jones, Helm, and Miss Camble also had all of their house hold effects entirely ruined by smoke and water. None of the above persons carried any insurance and the loss is a great one to them.

We had the pleasure of attending Prof. J. W. Riley's dancing academy on last Monday evening, the 15th; he has one of the largest and best dancing classes in the city. There was a large crowd present besides the class and all seemed to enjoy themselves. Prof. Riley has had years of experience as a dancing master, and he has had great success. He is very popular among the young people and those desiring to learn dancing will do well to consult Prof. Riley before going elsewhere.

D F. Morton (colored) was arrested, Monday, the 15th, charged with being an adversary to the murder of Frank Austin. It will be remembered that Austin was found unconscious in a freight car at 14th and Kentucky streets on the night of April 15th. The police and detectives have been hard at work on the case ever since. The 10th inst., John Bibbs was arrested as principal to the crime and in the evidence against him it was shown that he and another Negro were seen in the railroad yards. Later in the night they went to several houses a good distance from the scene of the murder and endeavored to get several people to say that they had been seen at 8 o'clock and at 10 o'clock that night Morton was recognized as Bibbs' companion and after the arrest of Bibbs he has been in hiding; he was found on the 15th and locked up. He protests his innocence of course.

Mrs. Mary Outland who was so mysteriously poisoned last Saturday week is somewhat improved at this writing. Your correspondent has been able to gain a few facts about the case. It seems that she set her her coffee pot on the outside of her house to air Friday night, and Saturday morning she got up as usual, made coffee and drank of it and gave some of it to a little pet dog before going out to work and she and the dog were both taken very ill at once and the dog soon died in great agony, and only the prompt action of a physician saved her life. It is said that a certain man has been annoying her a great deal by trying to make love to her, but she had rejected his suit and she believes he had something to do with the poisoning, but she refused to divulge his name for reasons. The physicians analyzed the coffee and found arsenic. Miss Louisa January, of Flemingsburg, Ky., who has been visiting friends in this city for the past week or ten days, left for Cincinnati last Thursday. Mrs. Mary Hickman, 76 years of age, fell dead at her home on Cape street last Tuesday of heart disease. Miss Mary Shepard, of Flemingsburg, Ky., is in the city the guest of her sister, Mrs' Morris Buckner. She was called by telegram to the bed side of her sister, who is very ill at this writing. Dr. J. K. Nickens, of Cincinnati, exhibited his panorama at Zion Baptist church last Thursday night to a very good crowd. It was entirely different from the old style panorama, and all seemed well pleased. He also exhibited at the Center Street Methodist church.

A RECEPTION IN HONOR

Of a G. A. R. Sponsor—A handsome Spread—A Captain Lectures.

Austin, Texas, Special.

Ex-Policeman Louis Morris, died May 14th. his funeral was preached by Rev. Trappe at the A. M. E. church; he was a member of the K of P., and the Mutual Aid Association, which turned out with his remains, besides a society of which his wife is a member; he leaves a wife and several children. The procession was a long one, the funeral was largely attended, he was buried in the new cemetery, A grand reception was given by the Capital Guards at the residence of Mrs. Julia Lewi's, in honor of the Sponsor, Miss Martha McKenly; the enjoyments of the evening was spent in card playing, billiards, checkers, watching the soldiers drill and listening to the music of the band. after which, all were invited into the beautifully decorated dining room, to tables heavy laden and dressed in the latest style. Captain Bratton has his men under good control and he manages them with great skill. The lecture at the Baptist church, by the boy from Africa, was beneficial to the race; he also lectured there Wednesday night, he is trying to earn money to educate himself for the ministry, that he may return to Africa, to preach to and teach the heathens. Rev. Charles Madison presented the gold and silver meals Sunday, at the M, E. Sabbath School to the one who sold the greatest number of tickets for the recent entertainment that was given there Miss Mamie Story received the first prize, Willie Wilson received second prize and Miss D. Ware the third prize. All of the city free schools gave a large picnic Friday the 19th inst, Prof. E. L. Blackshear has returned from Washington, D. C. Mr. John Madison is having his residence very nicely repaired. Mr. Lampkins and Mr. Jim Johnson's residences have been newly painted. The aged Mrs. Madison is very ill. Mr. Tom Black, Mrs. T. Walker, Mrs. Liggins, Mrs. N. Jones, Mrs. Winn, Mrs. Bragg, and Mr. W. Jones are sick. It's reported that Ed. Graham was shot in the leg by Will Franklin on the night of the 17th inst. The doctor reports it not serious, particulars not known. Mrs, Mary Roberson, from Washington County, is visiting her brother, Mr. Sam. Drear. Mr. Willis Bratton has gone to New York. to show race stock.

A Stabbing Affray Results in Death.

Union City, Tenn., Special.

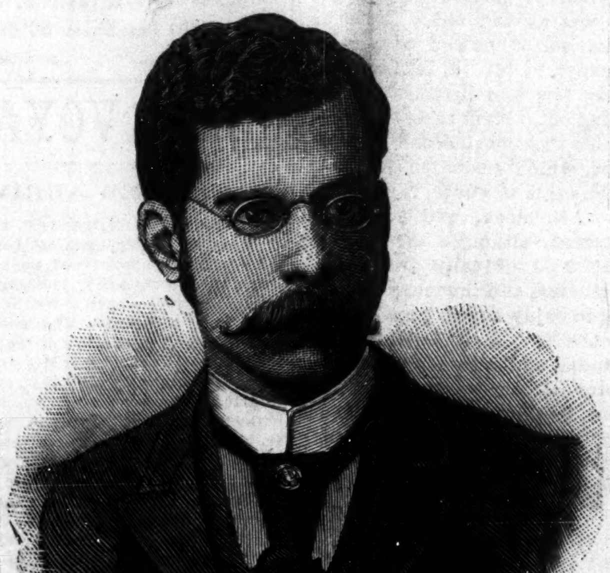
Charley Seel's stabbed William Gant on the 7th, and Kenton, and he died on the 11th; Gant was a nephew of Mrs. Eliza Wells, the murderer has been lodged in jail at this place. The infant child of Mr. Nat White is very sick. Bud Freeman, 18 years old, son of the widow Freeman, died on the 4th inst, H. C. Brassfield, is again Foreman at the Union City brick works. Rev. S. Hutchinson is in Martin this week. Henry Jones, who has been down with fever since the first of March, is out on the street again. Rev. A. N. Stevens of the C. M. E. church, has greatly increased the membership. H. Morton has renovated his $1,000 residence. Mrs. John Gaston is visiting his daughter in St. Louis. Mrs. Mamie Edwards and Mrs. Annie Yancy went to St. Louis on the 17th, to attend the bedside of her sister. Mrs. Scruggs is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Wells. Professor Davenport's vocal class will soon sing before the public for the first time. Prof. Davenport has fourteen scholars in instrumental music. The citizens of Union City were recently treated to two excellent discourses on "The objects and purposes of Creation," by Rev. C. O. H. Thomas president of Wayman Female Academy, of Dickson, Tenn. The M. E. church was crowded to overflowing, at both services. By invitation he lectured on the Tuesday night following, at the Young Men's Lyceum, subject, "The Marvels of Negroism," which stamped him an orator, of whom the race need not feel ashamed. So well pleased were the lyceums and citizens generally, that an invitation for another lecture was extended, which was listened to with unflagged interest, the subjeect was, "The problem of Negro Destiny," which abounded in wit and humor. Union City will be largely represented at Wayman Academy in the Fall term.

A New Pastor Appointed.

Bryan, Tex., Special.

R. S. Lewis, who a few weeks ago lost his beautiful residence and contents by fire, will soon erect another more beautiful and costly. The members of Shiloh Baptist church have just had a bay window and a pool placed in their church. Rev. J. A. Carnes has been appointed by Bishop Lee to the pastorate of the A. M. E. church, resigned by Rev. J. H. Weathers on account of bad health. We have in our city a new grocery store, owned and controlled by colored men, W. H. Haynes and Son, who has a first class stock of staple and fancy groceries. The public schools will close June 2d. There is a strong belief that we shall have a new building for the next session. All hope for such a consummation. Miss H. B. McIntosh has been re-elected as teacher of the Bryan graded school.

THE "IN'S" AND "OUTS."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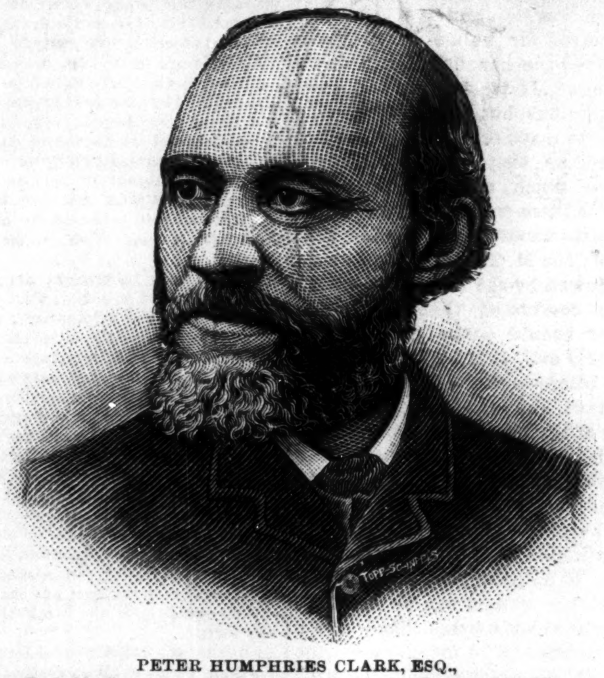
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TWO YEARS FOR STEALING.

Some of the Missing Money Recovered—Decoration Day

Exercises—A Hotel Melee—Loved Not Wisely, but Too Well—The Victim Seeks Legal Panacea—Notes.

Helena, Ark., Special.

Peabody Johnson was sent from the Mariana court for two years for stealing $160 from Judge Hutcherson, (white); two gold watches, respectively $25 and $20 apiece were bought, and $105 were used in another way. But all except $10 was obtained. The Damon Division No. 8, U. R. K. of P., was defeated in getting the hall for the 30th. It was held for the Odd Fellows, who will give a grand festival. After the program of the National Decoration day is rendered, a program was appointed by the mass meeting of the citizens, earnestly requesting all business to suspend and that there be a general observance of the day. The procession will go from the Second Baptist church promptly at 1 o'clock to the cemetery. H. R. Lucas will be marshal of the day. The order of services is an interesting one; consisting first of a song by the A. M. E. choir; prayer by Rev. H. B. Johnson; song by the Centennial church choir; address by S. P. Harris, Esq.; music by the band; essay, "Heroism of the Negro Soldier," by Miss P. A. Clark; address, "Our Dead Heroes," by Hon. J. N. Donohoo; music by the band; essay, "The Voice of the Flowers," by Mrs. Dr. J. W. O. Marquess; music by the band; decoration of graves. The friends and relatives of Miss Dollie Gentry were much alarmed about her recently. Mrs. Christina Wood's death has been expected from enlargement of the heart. Revs. Coleman and Williams were involved in church affairs which resulted in a fight. Delinquent subscriber are making it hard for the honest and paying ones. Please pay. Misses Emma E. Burns, Rosa V. Anderson, Lizzie Martin, Emma Bradford and Dollie Gentry, accompanied by Messrs. Felix Goodman and Watson Gentry, drove throught the city on their way to the Peabody school picnic in a decorated ox wagon, attracting much laughable attention. "A dish-rag" at the Hotel de Windsor, occurred between two colored and two whites. One of the clerks was not pleased where he was sitting and began scolding T. J. Brewer, the head waiter. Brewer jumped on him and fought to a finish, then left while the fight was in action. Mr. Bush left and returned with his pistol and tackled W. M. Brown, who was disinterested. Brown knocked him down to escape being shot. Bush arose and struck him over the head with the pistol inflicting a severe wound.

Amanda Brooks, living at the foot of Porter street, became enamored of one Mr. Clark, a cook at the Windsor hotel, and gave her consent to be his wife. Later she discovered that Clark was trifling with her love, and sought the courts to make him keep his promise. He was summoned to appear before A. C. Henley. At the time of the trial Mrs. Brooks could not be found. She had been told that she would lose the case and would be locked up if she could not pay the cost. Messrs. Chas Henderson, Shedrick Dailey, H Blackburn, G. W. Cotton, Prof. Joe Sheppard and about thirty others left the city for St. Louis and Chicago. The Peabody school closed its session on the 20th with the exception of room 1, taught by Prof, H. Avant. The teachers and scholars celebrated its term with a day in the woods, one mile above the city near West's spring.

C. H. Dallis, of Mariana, paid a flying visit to the city, the guest of J. C. Clark. Miss Maggie Coelie, of Southland, was in the city, the guest of Miss Ida B. Adam.

An Organ and Bible Presentation,

Worcester, Mass., Special.

On Tuesday evening, May 16th, King David Lodge F and A. M. No. 16, gave a miscellaneous entertainment at their Hall, 302 Main street, inviting all who would come to see the lodge receive from Brother A. T. Hennessey, an elegant organ, and to listen to an attractive programme. The programme opened with a piano solo by Mrs. Estella Clough, which was loudly applauded; Mrs. R. T. Lee gave a well rendered solo; reading by Miss W. C. Madison, who also responded to an encore; solo by Miss Iney Clough; after which the organ was presented to the lodge by Brother Amos Webber in behalf of Brother A. T. Hennessy, which was responded to by Brother A. A. Clough, organ voluntary by Mr. C. E Steere; reading by Miss Madison; piano solo by Mrs. Estella Clough; at the close, the members were given an agreeable surprise by the Sisters of the order, in being presented with an elegant new Bible, by Mrs. Ester Edwards, Rev. H. Conway responded for the order; refreshments were next in order, which closed one of the best entertainments given here for some time. Mr. Charles Scott, Sr, has opened a shop corner Main and Thomas streets, where he will do repairing or making of boots and shoes on short notice and moderate prices. Frank Bell, head waiter at the Bay State House, speaks of The Freeman in the highest terms. We have several expert bicycle riders. L. S. Gilliam has been sick, May 15th a benefit concert was given by Miss Viola Harden, for the Pastor of Bethel church, a neat programme consisting of vocal and instrumental music, recitations, speeches, dramas and a bit of tragedy, was ably carried out by the participants, Miss Viola Harden, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Clark, Archie Gunn, Master's J. and G. Harden, Geo. Everett and little Bertie Harden; after which, refreshments were served.

THE NEGRO DISCRIMINATES

Notwithstanding he Cries Out Against Discrimination.

The Monster Prejudice Often Finds Pap in Our Own Procedure—A Few Illustrations.

Editor of The Freeman:

The Chatham, Ontario, Special, in your issue of the 5th inst., from Rev. Arthur D. Chandler, has been read with interest, and I feel called on to pleasantly comment on it. Being of British descent, a West Indian, and alive to all parts of the Queens Dominions' interests, I could not avoid thinking of the great difference experienced in Chatham, to the conditions existing in Jamaica, I draw the unavoidable conclusion that it must be the contiguity to prejudiced-cursed United States, that made a Province of a liberal and impartial Queen guilty of such impolitic and silly action, as to have separate schools in that township. I have never been to Canada so am unaware of the exact conditions in the Dominion. That good sense has come to the rescue and the blot removed, is matters for congratulation for all hands interested. Two on the Board were friends and advocates of the petitioning suppliants and three had no respect for it, yet called themselves Christians. "It is, indeed, high time," I agree with your sensible correspondent, "that the inconsistent conduct of Christians which belie their profession should be exposed. Some claim to have a common brotherhood, and one interest of a common brotherhood, and then refuse to worship at the same shrine, and send their children to the same schools. That man who claims to be a Christian and opposes the right of his fellowman to an equal opportunity and moral privileges is, in appearance, a hypocrite. Our best thinkers recognize that the maintainance of our equal privileges is dependent largely upon one success to display a common interest and sympathy with others."

Most heartily do I agree with every word of his comments, as I recognize no lines outside of fitness intellectually and personal taste, to guide human beings in association, either in school, church or private lines, from the effect of a Christian, Liberal, English training, but did the writers of them, or will many of the readers, think as quickly as I did, of some other phases brought prominently in mind unvolintarily, consequent on my observances and painful experiences, but as travel amid all sorts, classes and creeds, possibly have wider chances to note them? Which may seem like presenting opposite pictures, yet should be calmly contemplated.

The claim to be Christians and to a common brotherhood, is made much more widely by the colored brethren than the white Christians, and I think it will, perhaps, aid them, to see clearer themselves, as others to see them occasionally, and far too generally, for them to escape the charge I am about to bring forward, yet I meet far more or as much, rank and increasing prejudice and unchristian reflections being made, by the one who has suffered for the very crime, and should thereby have learned tolerance, and in a recriminatory spirit they cultivate and are being widely taught in pulpit and at home, against the other, even those who have decided to know no lines, but to do a pure christian work in the churches, assimilating in every way possible, daily as well, with the colored man, out of pure philanthropy and zeal elevate them, and loud unthinking persons vauntingly cry, "we want no white person's to come in and teach us," even after ten and fifteen years labour has been given steadily by these martyrs to Christ's cause. I learned of a most ungrateful evidence of this vile intolerance at Chetopa, Kansas, from a reliable pastoral friend who has just passed through that place, and encountered the heart aching lady who bore the ignomy as bravely as is possible, If it is unchristian to white people to refuse to feel easy on school benches, and to mingle in churches, or in public departments with colored people, there is certainly equal unseemliness, a want of Christian recognition of the humble, loving, considering spirit, shown by those who voluntarily prefer to serve us, and whilst doing it without savor of patronage or superciliousness, have to endure the scorn of whites, and the contemptuous ungratefulness also, of the colored recipient of years of aid? It needs thought and signal action of our leaders, to clear their skirts of the savor of the charge, they teach two kinds of Christianity at the same time. The last part of my above quotation, could well and significantly be considered prayerfully by the guilty, thoughtless souls, who will not practice the dear Lords council, "Do to others as you would have others do unto you." We must get away from the ever increasing prejudices which are enveloping us, and defiling our Christian impulses; ensnaring us with the same foul hydra headed monster that has mangled our sons and daughters for generations past.

If the colored people are going to oppose the personal right of those, who from Christian devotion, "do the very things we claim they should all be doing," and then drive them off, sneer at and abuse them, refuse them personal exercise of such conscientious ennobling privileges, then it must be indeed true what a white lady friend in this city said, "I was mistaken in thinking there was any desire to be associated in any of the unions and enterprises which further pure endeavors, because they, the colored, rather always to be by themselves."

If not from necessity this feeling and action is entertained, it must be by deliberate and mistaken choice then. I wish to register myself as diametrically opposed to any and all such teachings or sentiments. As experience assures me it is only by the giving away of prejudices in the churches amid professors of Christ's love, mutual elevating intimacies formed there, carried into the mutual home lives, radiating beneficially to elevate on the one side, and to remove mistaken ideas yet entertained as to the grossness and vulgarities of even the educated school girls of color, which tend to keep alive antipathies, unnecessary suspicions, and cruel animosities, that signal changes can be attained. These wedges must be driven temperately, yet decidedly in, so as to arouse universal conceptions of where danger lies, and where relief can reasonably be expected earliest. For if the religion of our Lord Jesus Christ cannot now be utilized at the close of the liberal Nineteenth Century and invoked to soothe and adhere the church militant advisedly, then the real christians must prepare to wage a holy war against a cruel, devilish hugging to itself of a condition, that reminds one of the times and feelings in the North when Garrison began his "Liberator" contest, and he saw the necessity to "unfurl his banners and sounded his trumpet to the watch word, no Union with slave holders," even so must we be equal, and write as our shield, "No union with pretended followers of Christ's Church;" and divest our skirts of the charge of any prejudice; with a willingness "to display a common interest and sympathy with others," because we recognize the unseemliness of such other position.

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Lecturing through Kansas.
Fort Scott, Kansas.

A SUCCESSFUL CONCERT.

A Calisthenic Drill a Feature—Singular Death—General Notes.

Bowling Green, Ky., Special.

The concert given for the benefit of the C. P. church, on Friday evening the 12th inst., was a success, it was the grandest musical and literary entertainment that has ever taken place in this city; and was composed of the best talent that the city affords. The music was all the latest pieces. The most striking part of the programme was, a medley quartette, by Messrs. S. L. Drake, Wm. Maddox, C. H. Wilson and Sam Holden. They were compelled to repeat an encore. Next was a calisthenic drill by sixteen little girls, dressed in white. Their motions were graceful and exact. The duett by the Misses Slaughter was good, they are considered among the best singers of the city. Misses Foster and Harris who were the managers of the entertainment, gave a social the 13th inst, in honor of the participants, which was enjoyed by all present. Rev. W. T. Baker left Saturday morning for Paducah, where he has been called to take charge of the Seventh Street church in said city. Mary Marrs is very sick. There was a large excursion in the city from Hopkinsville, last Sunday. Mr. John Browder, of Cincinnati, Ohio, is in the city, visiting relatives. Miss Ann E. Slaughter, who has been visiting her son, in Chicago, she came to Cincinnati in March, and is now at her home here. Her relatives and friends were very glad to see her, and gave her a very cordial welcome. She will remain all Summer. Mrs. Lou Hall died at her home on Second street, May 9, 1893, of paralysis. Her death was not unexpected, as she has been in the lowest state of health quite a while, she leaves many relatives and friends. Mr. Charles Covington was fatally injured while hewing a tree that had blown across the road, when it had been hewn into, the part on which he stood, flew up and threw him about 15 feet into the air, he died Thursday; leaving a wife, three children and many relatives. Mrs. Fannie Brownfield and three children, of Chicago, arrived in the city this week, on a visit to their relatives. They will remain through the Summer.

New Castle, Ind.

John Young, of Spiceland, visited friends here over Sunday. James Harper, of Anderson, was the guest of Miss May Dempsey, Saturday and Sunday. Miss Anna Coleman, of this city, is preparing to go to Central Tennessee College in September. Miss Mary Robberson, of this city, is quite ill. Quite a number of the Anderson boys were in our city Sunday. Rev. Isom Thurman is contemplating attending services at Anderson Sunday. The young folks of this city will give a Necktie and Apron social at the M. E. church, Saturday evening, for the benefit of the preacher.

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THE RACE'S GREAT FALLACY

That of Sabbath-day Gala Times and Bawdy Deportment

Under Guise of Exalting Fraternalism—Scenes Tending to Lower the Race's Prestige, Usually Enacted.

Too much criticism cannot be made against the scene witnessed at Allen Temple, last Sabbath day; the occasion being the annual Thanksgiving sermon to be preached to the U. B of F., by Rev. A. J. Dehart. There was an immense crowd, the U. B of F. marched through the streets behind a band, gathering a large and loud crowd as it came along. There were more than 200 S. M. T. and children already gathered at the church, besides the usual visitors on such occasions, thereby filling Allen Temple to its utmost capacity. It was one of the largest crowds ever gathered in the Temple. Outside, the streets were crowded on both sides of the church with people, and it seems that some of them overlooked the fact that it was the Lord's Day. But why attempt to describe the scene, which consisted of about four or five street broils, loud laughing and talking, and many other disgraceful things before the day was done. Inside, it was a little better, it taking nearly an hour to seat them. Finally a portion of them were seated, and with much running to and fro by the officers, etc., and the hum of whispered conversations, a portion of the programme was carried out. The solos, a few choir selections and a most excellent paper, by Mr. J. E. Lintcomb, repaid the few who listened to them, for coming out. Next came the collection, which took considerable unnecessary time, which amounted to $68 51. By the time this was over, it was a few minutes of 5 o'clock, and no sermon yet delivered, although the exercises began at 2:30. Finally the sermon was abandoned, and the many who had expected to enjoy a most excellent sermon by the Rev. A. J. DeHart, were disappointed, and all on account of a lot of unnecessary waste of precious time and bad management. What benefit does any one derive from such an affair? Something should be done to remedy this wholesale desecration of the Sabbath and bringing the church into ridicule by such scenes as were witnessed on its doorsteps, etc. The small sum that was taken up for the Orphans' Home, does not compare favorably with the amount of money that the L. & N. R. R., Co., received to bring the excursionists here. The Orphan Asylum is a worthy institution and it would have been greatly benefitted if it had received the money spent, in bringing each excursionists, and it seems as though the R. R. Company received the bulk of the profits and received the benefits of the day's proceedings. It is all right and good to have sermons, but a great improvement can be made on the way they are conducted as they are now. They bring too much reproach upon the race, while there were some commendable features about the U. B of F. and the S. of the M. T., yet they were overshadowed by the manner in which outsiders conducted themselves, and the order should make an effort to remedy this evil. It is hoped that those who are interested in the advancement of the race, and who keenly feel the disgrace of last Sunday's proceedings, will endeavor to, in some way, bring about a revolution in such affairs. As this is not the first time that Allen Temple has been a party to such, it is sincerely hoped that the trustees will see that it is the last. An annual Thanksgiving sermon can be delivered without the aid of a brass band and a Sunday parade. The members of the orders can go quietly to church with their families, as all civilized people should, and join each other and listen to the word of God, and obtain just as much benefit as they do in the old way. I long to see it tried. Sincerely for the race. GOBBS.

Cincinnati, Ohio.

Farewell Reception.

Minneapolis, Minn., Special.

On last Thursday night the beautiful Bethesda church parlors and ante room was filled with a cheerful company of members and friends of the church. The occasion was a farewell reception to the pastor. Covers were laid for one hundred persons, the floral decoration and arrangements were due largely to the efforts of Mr. S. E. Nooten, the reception was under the auspices of the Dorcas Society. Mr. Ralph Gray, made a short address. The response of the pastor followed in an eloquent manner. Mrs. Jasper Gibbs spoke for the ladies of the society; short addresses were made by Messrs. J. M. Allison, C W. Lee and E. Singleton. Rev. Adams, of Providence, R. I., preached to a large audience at Bethesda church, Mr. B. P Young, of Gallatin, Tenn., was in the city Wednesday. Mr. William Helem left Thursday for Chicago. Mr. Alonzo Smith, of Indianapolis, is in the city and expects to remain permanently. Lillies and Roses Division Fo 1, K. of P. Lodge entertainment, Wednesday night, was a delightful success; every body seemed to enjoy themselves. Mr. Jasper Gibbs returned home after a weeks visit to the Worlds Fair, at Chicago. Mr. Joseph Reed, has accepted the position as head waiter, at the Niccollet Hotel, Mr. Reed is a young and intelligent man, and The Freeman wishes him success.

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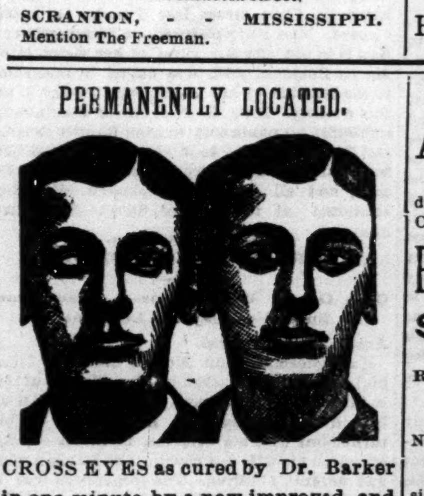

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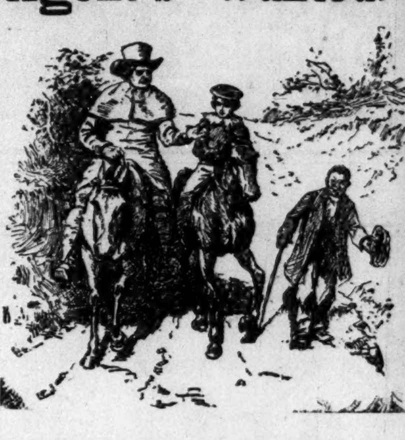
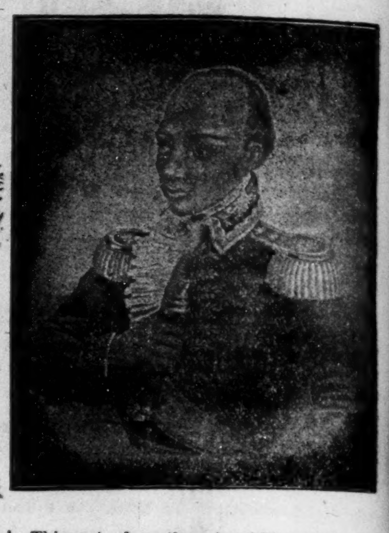


This cut gives the white Historian's ideal Negro.



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IS THERE DANGER AHEAD?

The Chinese Decision a Future Menace to the Liberty

And Citizenship of the Negro—What Might be—A Forcible Dissertation—Reflect and Ponder.

Editor of The Freeman.

SIR:—The recent opinion delivered by Justice Gray, of the United States Supreme Court, although likely to pass unnoticed by hundreds of thousands of the citizens of the United States, as a matter of little concern to them, ought of necessity to be of great importance to the Afro-American. I refer to the decision relative to the requiring of Chinese, resident in the United States to register as prerequisite of their right to remain in this country. The law is known as the "Geary Chinese exclusion and registration act," passed by Congress.

In delivering the opinion of the Court, Justice Gray, who pronounced it, is reported as saying, that the act tested upon its constitutionality is constitutional, and that as far as the requiremts of the act went requiring that the Chinese entitled to remain in this country, should establish the right by the evidence of one credible "white" witness, "it was within the power of the legislature to determine the character of evidence that may be received in a case of law."

This decision, if reported correctly, is of far reaching influence, and like the seed cast by the wayside, will hereafter, grow up to meet the Negro citizen in his pathway along civil life. The effect of this decision is, to my mind, to say that the legislature of any state hereafter, may declare as law, that only a "white" witness in a case of law shall be regarded as credible to establish a fact, thus excluding a witness of color as competent because of being incredible. The well known rule for the interpretation of statutes is, that whatsoever is not included by express terms, is excluded by implication. It will not be claimed that colored is included in "white" when refering to persons.

This decision is made by the highest legal tribunal and is the law of the land, and is a death-like blow, though shot at random to the colored citizens of these United States. The prejudice already existing in many parts of these United States, needs no greater helping hand than Justice Gray's opinion to revive the old laws of the Southern states, which prohibited colored citizens from testifying in courts of law, against "white" persons charged with any offense, even murder. It revives and upholds the Dred Scott decision as delivered by Justice Taney, and which was thought to be buried in the oblivion of slavery, and wiped out by the 13th, 14th and 15th Amendments to the Constitution. It does this in sentiment, if not in fact.

Article 3, Section 4, of the Constitution of the United States, says: "No person shall be convicted of treason, unless on testimony of two witnesses to the same overt act." Justice Gray's decision upholds that Congress, which is subordinate in power to the Constitution, may prescribe a law making "white" persons only credible witnesses, so that so high an offense as treason, if committed may go unpunished, and a nation assailed, aye, destroyed, if the offense can be proved by colored witnesses only. Is not this the logical conclusion of such a decison?

Article 6, of the Constitution says: "In all criminal prosecutions the accused shall enjoy the right to a speedy and public trial, and to be confronted with the witnesses against him." Is it to be supposed that Congress can enact a law declaring that proof in such cases, must be made by credible "white" witnesses? The decision is strange indeed, and its influence is yet to be felt. A law which, by implication, prohibits or prescribes that only one class of citizens can enjoy the benefits and the rights of citizenship, ought to be unconstitutional in the light of the equality of citizenship before the law.

Justice Gray says, and I quote from the columns of the Detroit Tribune: "That it was within the power of the legislature to determine the character of the evidence that may be received." The act of Congress says the character of evidence shall be "white." It is clear that the word character means in this respect quality, and is in consonence with the law which says, a person convicted or under age, shall not be a competent witness. In this, the quality of the witness is sought to be upheld, viz: to deprive a person of a base character, to wit: a convict, or of weak intellect, a child under certain age, from testifying in a Court of law; but who would suppose that this difference in the quality of evidence could be found in color and sustained by Judicial interpretation?

It may be urged that the Chinese are not citizens but aliens, and are not entitled to like protection as our own citizens; but the Geary Act effects witnesses against or for Chinese, so that it effects citizens of the United States. By treaty the Chinese are entitled to protection under our laws, as they are in like manner subject to the same, and that they shall be one law for them in proof of a fact, and another for us is inequitable and cannot support a lasting friendship between two powerful nations. But I am chiefly more concerned with its future application or possible inducement to like law enacted by the States, than I am with the present question. We are drifting from that Puritan spirit of toleration which drove the forefathers of this Republic from England to Jamestown and Plymouth Rock. We are seeking discrimination among Jews and Gentiles, black and white, and we are building a temple that we will ourselves, in the next century, pull down on our own heads, before we will suffer wrong within its confines. Let us beware, let public sentiment frown on such, and let us tell our representatives in Congress and elsewhere, that we do not approve of such laws, and let our Courts construe the Constitution according to the spirit and not the letter, when in conflict with human rights.

Your truly,

D. AUGUSTUS STRAKER.

Detroit, Michigan.

A COUNCIL CALLED

To Investigate Charges Against a Pastor. They Declare in Favor of the Accused.

At a special call meeting of the Shiloh Baptist church, it was decided to call a council of disinterested Elders to investigate the charges that had been alleged against C. C. Goines. The council was called, consisting of six Ordained Elders from different parts of the State. After convening in the Shiloh Baptist church May 9th. Mrs. Brown, the plaintiff, was invited to meet the council, which she refused to do but consented to let the council meet at her house, which they did, and spent the afternoon of the 9th, taking her testimony. On the morning of the 10th Mrs. Brown desired to meet the council in the church which was granted. After hearing all the evidence on either side and after careful and earnest consideration of the same the following will explain itself:

FT. SCOTT, Kan., May 11, 1893.

To the Baptist family throughout the world. This is to certify that in compliance with an invitation from the Shiloh Baptist church, of Ft. Scott, Kansas, to meet in an investigating council to investigate the rumor concerning Rev. C. C. Goines, we met in Ft. Scott on the 9th of May 1893, at 4 p m and were in session 48 hours. Upon a careful, prayerful and through investigation, we found that the charges were without foundation. It was impossible for such to have happened at the time and place, and the allegation was made in a wicked and jealous spirit for the sole purpose of revenge regardless of consequences. We heartily denounce the allegation as false and cruel; further more, we do exonerate Rev. C. C. Goins from said rumors and hereby endorse and heartirecommend him to the fellowship and confidence of the Baptist denomination. Revs. J. W. Jones, Pres. M &D. Union; R. W. Barker, Pres. State Convention; Wm. Smothers, Moderator N. E. Association; W. L. Grant, General State Missionary; J. W. Smith, Ex. B'r'd S. E. Association,

The above is a copy of the original. Inasmuch as damaging and disgraceful reports were published concerning me I hope that the same care will be taken to set me right before the public by those papers that did publish the rumor before it was investigated. I long to see the day that our people will know that a thing is true before they assert it as such. It is impossible to repair the wrong done in cases of this kind, yet I hope to have the confidence of my brethren throughout the country. I would say that a woman who has no regard for the truth is liable to start a rumor on any one, at any time, for when drink is in them, all respect for the truth is out. I also hope that papers that copied the scandal from this paper will take pleasure in refuting it by reproducing this article in their paper. You will observe that on this council we had the leading ministers of the State, men of honor and pastors of our best churches. I hope that it will render perfect satisfaction to all interested. I am yours for truth and right.

C. C. GOINES,

Ft. Scott, Kan.

Organized a String Band,

Camden, Ark., Special.

The weather has been so inclement that services at the churches were suspended entirely at night for three weeks. Prof's. W. H. Gatlin and Thompson are preparing for the closing exercise of the school. Mrs. Fannie Thompson is also earnestly engaged in preparing the primary department. Prof. M. H. Hawkins has organized a string band which promises to become excelsior. Rev. Williams anticipates a grand time children's day at the 1st Baptist church. Rev. J. T. Taylor will conduct a series of meetings soon. Mrs. J. H. Nunn was sick last week. Mrs. A. H. Napoleon will leave for Hope in a few days in order to assist Prof. and Mrs. H. C. Yerger in the closing exercises of their school. Mrs. D. A. Feaster will represent The Freeman during his absence and Miss Georgia Jordan will conduct the Choral.

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Chicago, Ill., Special.

I write this letter expressly for my friends and readers of The Freeman in Mississippi, who have never seen Chicago and a big show. I do not claim to know all about sight seeing, but have seen one or two fairs before this, and spent some time studying how to visit such places to an advantage. The first few things to be known before starting on your journey, are the cost of the railroad fare, in what part of city (name of depot for there are several) trains will deposit passengers, what time trains arrive, and what line of street cars to take for lodgings. Try to obtain rooms before leaving home; this may be done by advertising through one or more of the leading colored journals like The Freeman and Chicago Conservator, which will cost but a trifle. Rooms in the north or south-west side of the city are cheaper than those in the western, or near Jackson Park. Many pleasant rooms 10 or 15 miles distant and on direct lines with the grounds may be obtained at $3.00 and $4 00 per week, and board at same rates.

If possible, obtain an official guide to the grounds, this may be done by writing to the national World's Fair Commissioner from your state. Study the location of all, important places and buildings in the fair before leaving home. If you cannot obtain a guide before reaching Chicago or the grounds, take your time studying it if it requires a whole day; you will profit by it. Have a particular place to visit each day and do not think you can see all in a few days, by running pell mell through the buildings without considering what you are looking at. If you have no particular place of preference let me plan your route. If you have but a few days to spare sight seeing, spend the first day surveying the grounds and noting the architecture of buildings. This will require a whole day if you take in midway plaisance where the foreign nations are represented in their native country fashions. If you have a hankering after your own state's exhibit, list that for your second day's visit, together with a visit to the fine Arts building that is near by. The third you may call at the Machinery and Agricultural buildings.

On the fourth day take in the Transportation and Mining buildings. On the morning of the fifth day visit Manufacturies and Liberal Art Building, and in the evening see the Electricity Building for it is more attractive at night than at day. On the sixth day you'll have more to see than on any of the previous days for there are yet four of the principal buildings not yet visited. The Government, the Woman's, the Horticultural, and the Fisheries.

If you have more than a week to spare visit the "Brick," a model of the battleship "Illinois," which contains the naval exhibit; the Krupp building, in which are displayed the largest coast defense guns ever made; one 50 feet long, 6 feet in diameter and throwing a projectile weighing a ton nearly 20 miles; the Convent of La Rabad, in which is seen many of the Columbus relics. It is a reproduction of the convent in Spain where Columbus found food and shelter for himself and son. The live stock and dairy exhibits will be quite interesting to the country folks.

Why I did not emphasize more upon the states' and foreign buildings is because the buildings already described contain all that is to be seen except in very few exceptions. But one who has plenty of time should not fail to see them together with the leather, merchant tailor and forestry exhibits.

A visit to the National Conservatory will prove quite interesting to lovers of geography and travel, as well as a visit to the Artic whaler by those reading the recent poaching trouble between Great Britain and the United States.

Do not try to reach the grounds before 10 or 11 o'clock and remain until 9 or 10 at night, because the grandeur of the Exposition will be more fully realized at night and you require hours of rest in the morning.

Do not trouble your mind about fine clothes, one ordinary suit suitable for traveling is sufficient to see the fair in. Many visitors will bring fine dresses, hats, etc., but before they get out of Chicago will be sorry they brought themselves. If you exercise common sense you will enjoy the Fair, and regret when you have to go home. Do not trouble yourself with a trunk, an ordinary valise will hold all the clothes you need—a half dozen handkerchiefs, two or four towels, a change of underwear, comb and brush.

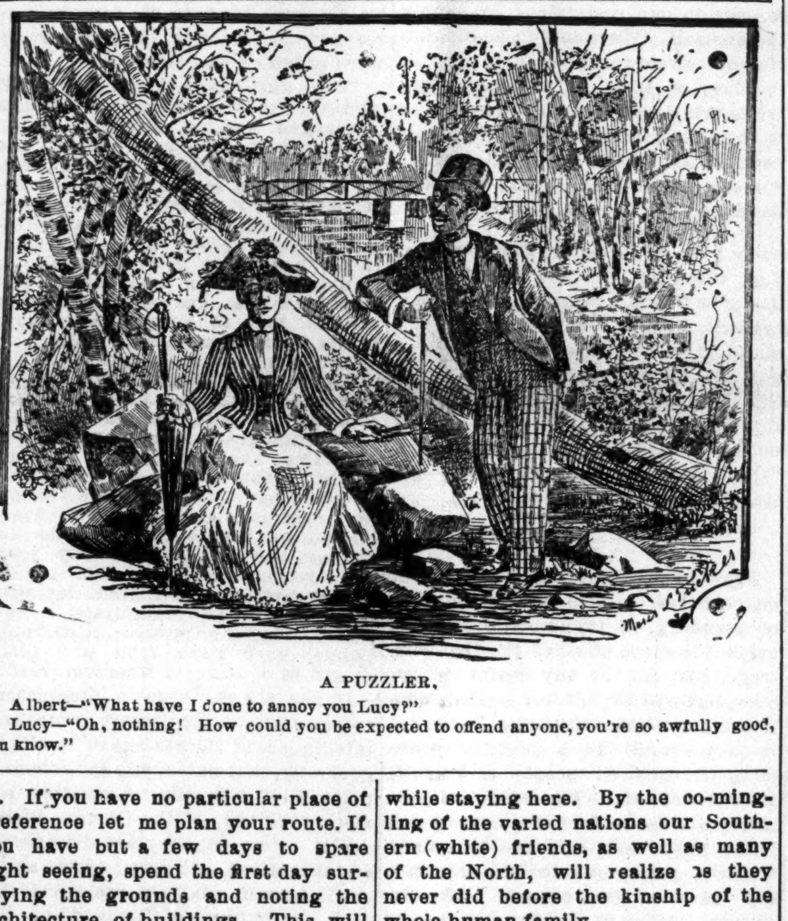
Do not forget your rubbers, mackintosh, umbrella and overcoat, for the weather is very changable on the Lake. Arm yourself with a lunch basket, note book and field glass, for these three articles will be as much in demand as any I have mentioned. Do not spend your money for everything you want in the line of souvenirs, etc. If there is anything you are anxious to have note the place and article but do not buy, because you may see many things that you want. On the last day get whatever you want the worst.

August, September and October will be the best months to visit Chicago, because about that time the rush will be over, caused by the unfinished work on the buildings and the tardiness of installing exhibits holding back hundreds of thousands who would have come earlier.

The World's Fair will be the greatest school man has ever experienced, therefore to be fully benefitted learn all you can about it before coming, and keep posted on the proceedings while staying here. By the co-mingling of the varied nations our Southern (white) friends, as well as many of the North, will realize as they never did before the kinship of the whole human family.

KING A. SCOTT,

Yazoo City, Miss.



A PUZZLER.

Albert—"What have I done to annoy you Lucy?"

Lucy—"Oh, nothing! How could you be expected to offend anyone, you're so awfully good, you know."

OKLAHOMA'S NEW GOVERNOR

Inaugurated—No Negro on the Committee of Arrangements.

Guthrie, Okla., Special.

Last Wednesday, Gov. W. C. Wrenfrow was inaugurated with great eclat. At the same time Gen J. W. Noble, ex-secretary of the interior, was tendered an ovation by the Republicans; but not withstanding that, there were in the city many ex-office holders under Gen. Noble. Not a Negro name graced the list of committees on arrangements, receptions, and programmes, etc. Gen. Noble administered a scathing rebuke to the Lilly White, when he reminded them of the fact, "true Americans were ready and willing to recognize Americanism in the humblest of our American subjects, and that respects for the stars and ships of our country made us respect those of our countrymen who worshiped at the shrine of liberty." These remarks evoked no applause from the whites, but the Negroes who understood the thrust at the Aristocratic snobbery of our Americanism of to-day, fairly went wild. There is no news of a local nature, save the inaugural address of Gov. Wrenfrow. It was a lame effort at speech making and his most ardent admirers were sadly disappointed. Mrs. Lena Washington, of Little Rock, Ark., left for her home last week. Many of the Cherokee strip boomers, are very much dejected and disheartened on account of the continued delay of the opening of those lands to settlement. They together with the hungry greedy Democratic office seekers makes things rather gloomy for a casual observer.

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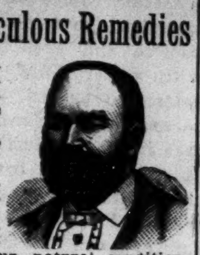

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TESTIMONIALS.

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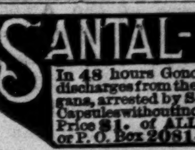

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THE NEW GOSPEL OF ORGANIZED LABOR.

"A little study of the matter will convince any one that many avenues to work are being steadily closed against the colored people in this city. Some labor unions are shutting them out by adopting a cast-iron rule that the acceptable applicant shall be "white." There are thousands of living citizens who can remember when there were many colored carpenters, bricklayers and other mechanics employed in the building trades in Philadelphia. Now there are none, or so few as not to count."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

The Negro problem is a serious one, and will be until it is solved and settled in those courts of equity that hold their sessions in the conscience of men. Rightly understood and spoken of, there's no such thing as a Negro problem, which has its life and being in the Negro himself. As far as his special entity and actions are concerned, he is no better or worse than other American citizens, and by all the laws of right and equity should share and be treated alike in the battle for life and the pursuit of happiness. The problem, the real problem to be solved, and which may yet shake this nation from centre to circumference, when the time for settlement comes, as come it well, is found in this simple proposition, namely, through what influence, by what means, can the white man of America be induced, persuaded or driven to treat his brother citizen, the Negro, right? Apologize, hope, theorize, speculate as we may, the most serious problem before the American people to-day resolves itself at last into this simple direct proposition, to this color must it come. Not the Negro's sins, for as a plain mortal, as God created him, anxious only to live, and let live, he has committed no sin, but the white man's sins, and his alone, has caused all this trouble between the races, and as sure as their is a God in heaven, sooner or later, somehow and somewhere, they must be past upon and expiated at the tribunal of exact and rigid justice. What has become of the many mechanics and skilled artizans of color, that the Telegraph refers to, who in other days made Philadelphia their home, and were given work and countenance by her citizens? All dead think you, or has their hands and brain lost their cunning? Not a bit of it, but of late years the Telegraph might have added, the tyranny and prejudice of "trade unions" and "leagues," controlled by and for white men, have done their complete work, and to-day, not only in Philadelphia, but in every considerable Northern city, the Negro mechanic of former days has been driven to the wall, made to feel the stigma of his color, in the name of "union" when there was no union, and in the interests of white men alone, who ninety-nine times in a hundred, had no better claim upon the consideration of the employing classes of the American public, than that other foreign parazite and blood sucker, the detested and hunted John Chinaman. The picture drawn by the Telegraph of the changed condition of the Negro, and his opportunities, as he exists in Philadelphia, is sad enough, and true, and contains much food for reflection. Between the mandates of organized labor and the fawning humbleness and sycophancy of capital, with a very few exceptions, who hasten to sneeze when the labor barons of unpronouncable names take snuff, the Northern Negro, from an industrial, bread and butter standpoint, is having a rocky road to travel. Every cloud has its silver lining, hence THE FREEMAN derives a keen satisfaction in directing attention to the brave words of President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, delivered before the International Association of Machinists, which convened in Indianapolis a few weeks since. Said Mr. Gompers:

"If a Negro is good enough and smart enough to work alongside of a white man, he ought to be admitted to the trades unions. Then, from a selfish standpoint, it is advisable to admit them. If we don't they bid against us, and competition in labor, the very thing that labor organizations are fighting against, comes in

"The machinists say there are so few colored men among them that it is not worth while to bother about them. As I said in my address Thursday, if there are none, then this article in their by-laws denying them admission is altogether unnecessary, while, if there are colored machinists, the article is brutal and inhuman. They will see the effect of it, too."

This is talk of the right ring, and we honor the man who uttered it, and until organized labor, so-called, is imbued through all its ranks with the same lofty ideal of unselfish right and justice, it will always find itself half armed, handicapped, in its battles for its rights. The Labor Signal, of this city, in its issue of May 12th, imbued with the same broad spirit that filled President Gompers, said:

"As education extends among the colored race, and the taste and ambition for the higher and better things of life are cultivated, the young colored man and woman will never be satisfied to pursue the heavy drudgery slavery imposed upon their fathers and mothers. They are bound to enter the skilled trades, as they have a perfect right to do. It is wrong to impose a single barrier to their advancement."

Keep it up, gentlemen, this better gospel of united labor, you are building right and well. Organized labor, real organized labor, that knows no American citizen by his color, past condition, religion or politics, would be such a force as could stand against the world. In the very act of demanding justice, be great enough to extend it to all men alike, black or white, Jew or Gentile, Catholic or Protestant, and you will have entrenched yourselves behind a barrier, too high to be scaled, too strong to be pierced.

A GOOD MAN DEAD.

"Here is my journey's end; here is my butt,
And very sea mark of my utmost sail."
—Othello.

"Nay nothing; all is said;
His tongue is now a stringless instrument;
Words, life and all." * * *
—Richard II

In the death of Gen. S. C. Armstrong, philanthropist and founder of the great Hampton School and system of education, humanity everywhere loses a bright particular star, a shining light, and the Negro and Indian of America a friend, than which a truer, better, more practical one, they may never hope to have. Gen. Armstrong was of the stuff that the great and good combined, the only royal men of earth are made of, and in the service and pursuit of the instincts and reachings out of his noble, emancipated soul, he knew not failure, dismay, race, color, nationality or creed. Above the criticism of a narrow press, beyond the sneers and carpings of social equals, regardless alike of their ostracism or their enforced praise, he saw his life work, felt his duty, and in the discharge thereof, faltered not, tired not, but kept due on with the true modesty of greatness, and when the Master's finger touched him, laid his self enforced burden down, not because he would, but because he must. The world, the material world, is great, but the men who make it better are few enough, such a man was Gen. Armstrong. A leader in Israel has fallen, a good man has gone to his rest, the world, the busy, hurrying world, recks not, will soon forget, but wherever great achievements are recorded and revered, beyond the power of marble or brass to immortalize, or the peckings of little men to destroy, will the name of the commoner, the warrior, the philanthropist and educator, Gen. S. C. Armstrong, be transcribed. He sowed, and the harvest is being gathered, he builded well for his day and time, was the friend of the lowly and unfortunate, and his works will live after him. Peace to his ashes

ATTENTION is called to the article on the third page of this issue from the pen of Hon. D. Augustus Straker, on the recent Chinese decision of the United States Supreme Court, defining the lingering potency of the word "white" as interpreted by the highest judicial Bench of the land. Mr. Straker views what may be the future effect of the decision on the Negro of America, though the cold unbiased eyes of the trained lawyer, and sees in it a far reaching menace to the safeguards surrounding the citizenship of the race. We commend a careful reading of his article.

AND THIS IS LIFE.

"O ye, all ye that walk in willowwood."
—D. G. ROSSETTI.

Two gazed into a pool, he gazed and she,
Not hand in hand, yet heart in heart, I think,
Pale and reluctant on the water's brink,
As on the brink of parting which must be.
Each eyed the other's aspect, she and he,
Each felt one hungering heart leap up and sink,
Each tasted bitterness which both must drink,
There on the brink of life's dividing sea.
Lilies upon the surface, deep below
Two wistful faces craving each for each,
Resolute and reluctant without speech—
A sudden ripple made the faces flow
One moment joined, to vanish out of reach:
So those hearts joined, and ah! were parted so.
—CHRISTINA G. ROSSETTI.

LOVE THY WORK.

Love thou thy work! No great results are gained
By him whose field of labor is disdained;
But small success accrues to him whose heart
Is from his daily duties far apart.
—SUSIE M. BEST.

"DON'T YOU GO, TOMMY, DON'T GO."

"It is surprisingly fresh and refreshingly surprising to find that the editors of the Boston Courant, the Washington Bee, the Cleveland Gazette, the Indianapolis FREEMAN and the Detroit Plaindealer have decided that the editor of the Age should have a foreign mission under the Cleveland administration, although the present occupant of the White House does not owe the editor of the Age anything and has not been "approached" by the latter at any time, past or present, "for recognition." The able editors of our contemporaries are, in the main, agreed that the editor of the Age should be sent as Minister to Dahomey."—The Age.

'Taint so, that is as far as we are concerned. Editorially we never thought or urged that you should be appointed Minister to Dahomey or any other fever-breeding sea port; you have seen us wrong and recorded us accordingly. Dahomey! Not much. We should seriously protest if Mr. Cleveland had a mind and you a will to accept the position, even though it should be raised to the dignity of an Embassy. The race is water logged and heavy with "leaders" anxious to waste their "valuable" time in dalliance at foreign courts without making inroads on our real talent to supply the demand. We wouldn't be unkind enough to venture the opinion that in the case of some of the contemporaries mentioned the wish was father to their declaration, nevertheless this year of all years we could "better spare a better man," than kiss our hands to you, Thomas, as you

"Sailed on and on,"

away from us across the deep blue sea. Just think of it! The World's Fair has to be "done," in true Sixth avenue, bravado, the Press convention is just ahead of us, which we would not have you miss for worlds, to say nothing of the thousand and one other reasons that might be offered why you should not be sent from us at this time. So, "Don't you go, Tommy. Don't go, stay a while, Tommy, don't go."

SMOULDERING EMBERS.

From a letter sent out by the Associated Press, dictated by a white man of standing, of Columbia, S. C., it is evident that the effect of the Denmark tragedy is not by any means blown over, but will be felt for a long time to come, with the incidental hope that it may result in a positive benefit to the colored people of that ill starred section. The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church, and let us hope that this last inhumane tragedy, may prove to be one straw too many on the camel's back, the entering wedge to awaken the Southern conscience from the shameful lasitude of the past. Too much praise cannot be awarded our brethren of Denmark, as the Sentinel, of this city, puts it for the "sound sense, almost amounting to the sublime," with which they have conducted themselves throughout that trying ordeal, and we hope they will be given strength and forbearance to continue upon that line. Surely the great God, although He moves in a mysterious ways, has not deserted them, justice will not always be laggard. The murdered Peterson cannot be recalled, but if this life so brutally taken, shall mark the end and the all of such crimes, shall be the beginning of a newer, better epoch, who shall say it is not well?

THE KENTUCKY "JIM CROW" LAW.

But a short time remains before the disgraceful "Jim Crow" law of Kentucky, our sister state, will go into effect and "This coach for colored people" will be a legal device to greet the eye on every crossroad station. The thought is something more than exasperating, and at each recurrence of the hateful, disgraceful American (?) spectacle, one may well wonder if God is not indeed dead, and if there is such a thing as real progress, in this boasted land of the free and home of the brave. Brave? God save the mark. But to return; we are glad to observe that our neighbors across the border are not idle, and do not propose, hands down, to be shaven and shorn of all that makes American citizenship a boast, without a concentrated and pull-altogether effort to prevent it. The Anti-Separate Coach and Executive Committees of the State are moving in the matter with intelligence and vigor, and have scattered circulars in every hamlet, village and city in the State, sounding the tocsin of alarm and calling for the sinews of war, that this great evil may be fought and beaten down at the only place where it can be legally confronted, the higher courts of equity and jurisprudence. Now let the people of the State do their full duty in the matter, and by their unanimity and zeal in contributing to the necessary expense fund, help forever to stamp into the earth the white hater's charge, alas, in many instances seemingly too true, that the Negro won't spend a cent, or forego a single pleasure for Rights, but will toil night and day to dance and doze away his life at the shrines of folly and nonsense. In the committee's call the suggestion is made that the third Sunday in June be set apart "as a day of prayer and the raising of a collection." All right brethren, pray, and pray hard and earnest, but by all means get the money. You are about to be afflicted by a great evil, and you need the root of all evil to knock it out the box. Prayer and money are powerful persuaders, but—get the money.

RACE PERSECUTION IN THE UNION ARMY.

The plea for help from a colored soldier, confined at Fort Assinniboine, Mont., which we print on another page of this issue, is a most pitiable one, which, if after investigation, it shall prove to be, what it seems, a case of cruel persecution, ought to be responded to at once. We have received a printed copy of the charges and trial by Court Martial, issued by authority, and there seems to be no doubt of the authenticity of the soldier's statement. It is a well known fact, that there is no branch of public service, where the spirit of race persecution and hellish caste, is so strong, as in the ranks of the commissioned officers of the United States army. Read the soldier's statement.

A GOOD MOVE—CAN IT LAST?

The Plaindealer, good paper, has reached its tenth mile post, and refers to the fact in its last issue with a pardonable and just pride. Commencing its eleventh year, in its talk to correspondents it says in part, every word of which we indorse:

"What shall we read and how shall we read, has been a question that has challenged serious thought, which thought seemed to have escaped the attention of the Afro-American press. It has been a sort of recognized necessity that certain articles, called 'personals,' of no value and of no interest save to those whose names are mentioned, have been given space in our columns. True, in many cases, this class of matter has been used as a sort of bait to tempt the careless reader to digest more solid matter.

"But the question is, does it?

"Whenever a certain town fails to have its local items about the omnipresent concert, and its embellishments; the grand sermon and the big collection, the convalescent man and the party that had a good time in a neighboring town, there are few papers sold in that town. Yet, every one knows that such items do not interest one-twentieth of any journal's readers. After considering the matter carefully the Plaindealer will, after this week, inaugurate a new policy. As far as possible, it will only publish such news from any place as will be of interest wherever read"

It has always been a disgraceful commentary on the literary taste and intelligence of the readers of the race generally, that unless you give them a paper filled with silly, nausuating society nothings, of the ilk the Plaindealer refers to, they are dissatisfied and displeased, and care no more about the important affairs of racial interest than the natives of Lapland or the man in the moon. We shall watch the Plaindealer's new departure with interest, and hope in the name of a loftier tone of race journalism, it will be successful.

"PERHAPS Mr. Stewart can shut his eyes on the dangling corpses of his brethren in Arkansas, and while closeted with the President grow happy over the privileges extended to him, but sensible people will think that the joy in one case should be tempered by sorrow in the other. At any rate Mr. Stewart needn't tear his clothes."—Conservator.

Go to! you make us weary. There's a time for everything. No doubt Mr. Stewart feels for and deplores the "dangling corpses" of his brethren in the South, equally with yourself, but does it follow that during the few moments vouchsafed him as a visitor of the President, he should have sung the Negro's tale of woe into Mr. Cleveland's ears, or indulged in other unseasonable demonstrations? The young man of the Colored American had to have his little whack at the eminent Empire State barrister along with Blanche, Tray and Sweetheart, by naively asking, "was a visit to the White House necessary to reassure Mr. Stewart," etc. This is "Podunk" journalism, sure.

THE friends and patrons of the Arkansas Baptist College, located at Little Rock, recently destroyed by fire, are taking steps to erect a commodious brick structure is the place of the one burned. We wish our many Arkansas Baptist friends success in their worthy undertaking.

WE acknowledge an invitation to be present at the Eighteenth Commencement exercises of the State Normal Industrial School of Normal, Ala., which commences to-morrow and continues to the 31st, inclusive.

YOU DO, BUT DO YOU?

"We heartily agree with The Age, in its opinion concerning the Republican party and the questions of citizen and human rights."—Star of Zion.

You agree with him do you, all right no objections, but what in thunder is your agreement worth to Brother Fortune or any other political philosopher casting about for prosolytes, unless you continue to agree with him, to-day, to-morrow, next day and the one to follow? The trouble with colored men, newspaper as well as laymen, in matters political, their agreement to, or indorsement of any line of argument, that is not to the manor born of their belief, generally orthodox Republican, is short lived and hardly worth the reckoning. We do not know as it will be the case with our good friend Brother Clinton, of the Star, a gentleman of most worthy parts, and for whom we entertain the highest respect, but nine times out of ten, "image breakers," like the quill driver of the The Age, and one or two other brave spirits doing time for the race, obtain very little lasting support from the sources they expect it the most. Of what benefit for instance is it for the Age man to be told by Brother Clinton to-day that he said a good thing, and the Star is with him, if next week it should come out blank against him? Just at present, during this time of lull, after and before the coming storm, the sparrow hawk of the Age is busy pecking away at the eyes and tail of the Republican elephant, while from every hand chattering little race daws urge him to go on andtkeep up the "good work," etc. Don't be fooled, Timothy, just wait till the next battle opens, and to be consistent, you continue your present line of arraignment of the Republican party, the most unpleasant yeomen you will be called upon to contend witk, will be this same body of light horse friends who are patting you on the back to-day. They're a positive nuisance, but schools and association are gradually doing their work and their numbers are growing slowly less.

ST. JOHN'S HERALD, Vol. 1, No. 1, published at Nashville, Tenn., under the auspices of the A. M. E connection, Rev. Jas. A. Davis, editor, has reached us. Success.

THE Bee and Free Speech, of Chicago, have consolidated and make a very pretty and wide awake team, we assure you. As ever, gentlemen, yours truly, for yourselves and the race. THE FREEMAN is proud of your friendship, and has faith in your continued success.

"AND now comes the great Indianapolis FREEMAN raising a quarrel with a little African sheet for failing to give credit for article. If we could buy some of our race journal articles for what they are actually worth and sell them for what their editors think they are worth, we would quit business and travel in Europe."—New Item.

Hush, honey.

"THE lion of to-day in France happens to be Gen. Dodds, the hero of the Dahomean campaign. As he happens to be a "nigger" his counterfeit presentment will not grace the columns of American papers. Gen. Dodds happens now to be a full brigadier-general in the Army of the French Republic. In America he might rise to be an acting assistant brevet lame corporal."—The Crusader.

And then some people in free (?) America would kick. Free? Bah!

CLEVELAND'S ukase against the importunities of office seekers was a sad and extremely cold return to the patient, horney-handed patriots, who lied and sweat blood for him, just the fewest of moons ago, when for several long sultry summer months, he posed as the boss office seeker.

"Cromwell I charge thee fling away ambition;
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For there is betwixt the smile we would aspire to,
That sweet aspect of princes;
* * * * * * *
More (disappointment) tears than wars or women have."

Cleveland, of Buzzard Bay, and he of the White House, are two quite different conditioned individuals.

THE murder of John Peterson by the mad mob of Denmark, S. C., in its brutality and viciousness should have made Gen. Clarkson's tongue cleave to and blistered his mouth, when, like a whipped cur, he dared to fawningly declare before the Democrats of Kentucky that the Negro question had passed from the realm of present controversy. It was a most uncalled for murder, and there should be a tribune powerful and brave enough to reach the crime besotted Governor of that state, and deal out to him the punishment he so richly deserves as an accessory before the fact. Let the cognomen of "Tillman the murderer" follow him through the remainder of his guilty life.

A MERITED REBUKE.

Some Negro Bishops are pompous and trying individuals to the sensitive nerves of gentility, and if they were not Bishops, could frequently be wrote down asses. Under the caption, "A Bishop's Mistake," the Age of a recent date discourses:

"At the Baltimore Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church last week, Bishop William J. Gaines, speaking about the apparent shortage of fifty dollars in the accounts of one of the brethren, which was found to be a clerical error, is reported to have said:

"'Oh, brother, sit down, sit down. Nobody doubts your honesty. We don't believe you would take the money. Why, I myself would as soon think of stealing as think you'd steal. And if I was going to steal I wouldn't take less than a million dollars. I would steal like a white man, and take a bank, a factory, or a railroad. Then I'd divvy up with a smart lawyer to get me out of the scrape. Colored folks ain't up to that yet. When they steal they take a pig, or a chicken, or some eggs, or an old horse. I know you wouldn't steal, but I want that money looked up, that's all.'

"There are two points in this deliverance to which objection can be raised. In the first place, the manner of addressing Dr. J. H. A. Johnson was undignified according to any standard laid down for the government of parliamentary bodies In the second place no man, not even a good bishop, is justified in supposing a case in which he could violate the law, whether it be the stealing of a pig or the looting of a bank To suppose such is, in a measure, to justify it. The man who steals a chicken or a pig usually does it not because he is necessarily a thief, but because he is hungry; while the man who loots a bank, or factory, or railroad, usually thinks the matter out, premeditates the crime; but in either case the law is violated. and the act has a demoralizing effect, whether the rogue buys his way out of the clutches of justice or works out his sentence in the chain gang.

"Like other responsible people, a bishop should weigh carefully the thoughts that come out of his mouth."

EDITOR'S TALK.

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Have you race pride? Do you believe in the race and its ultimate greatness? Then help race enterprises. Patronize Negro enterprises and subscribe for some Negro newspaper. In subscribing, we know you want the best, The Freeman is the largest and best published. Send in $1.50 and get it for one year. Now is the time to show your loyalty.

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AGENTS, ATTENTION!

We have sent out this week a statement to every agent of The Freeman, and we want to hear from every one of you by the 1st. A correct statement of your account is sent, and we want you to act promptly, and remit immediately. The majority of our agents are active, industrious and honest, but a few are not. They make all kinds of promises and excuses, and when they have gotten into our debt, resign. Send in your order and money. Tell us what you are doing and how many papers you want. Write to us at once. Don't wait until we cut you off and then write, write now.

ALL NATIONS BUT THE NEGRO

Making Separate Exhibits at the World' Exposition.

Representatives Enabled to Demonstrate their National Progress—Prejudice, keeps off the Grand Stand.

It is not unusual for men of different nationality to meet upon a plain of equality in politics when the influence of one, who may be a representative of a particular or individual race, is governed by the favors granted or the recognition bestowed; but when men meet in an international celebration where all nations share the respect of one another in a unity of relationship, there is a pause for an explanation or reflection. Mankind is inclined to be partial and envious when there is an effort on the part of kinsmen nationally or in ternationally, to succeed Will it always be thus? Then where is the benefits to be derived through these international celebrations? Great appropriations, taxations, and donations have been made, by the government states, and individuals to make the Columbian Exposition a success and for what? There can be but two reasons: One, to establish a better understanding between hostile nations, of the hapiness, strength, and success in unity; and the other, to demonstrate the superiority or inferiority of races. I was struck with wonder when, on a careful examination of the home and foreign departments at the World's Fair to find every nation possessing ability enough to represent save the American Negro. Hayti the pigmy government, has her representative; even Egypt from the time of the Ptolmies is represented by its own nativity. It was discriminating to grant a separate exhibit to the Afro-American but it was no discrimination to muffle his power as a representative of his race on the Board of Managers, or Commission.

The Negroes' inability to govern or legislate has become a bugbear in the United States, and it is not infrequent we hear from our own people such an explanation for the cause: As soon as ever we have reached the attitude of civilization, recognition will come. Strange, all foreign nations can compete with American intelligence and her own dear of springs that have been nourished under "her own vine and fig tree" are yet sucklings! The Lord grant that I may see more of the states the backbone of Illinois, to fight for a position on the grand stand even if a Negro is a member of the legislature. I cannot say who is entitled to the credit for the position the colored legislator fills but I am satisfied if he were unfit, he never would have gotten the nomination for the position he fills with such credit to himself and his race. A spirit of prejudice prompted the local commission of the World's Fair to ignore an application from the legislature to represent the different nationalities in the United States on the grand stand on opening day, because a Negro was a member. The members contended for permission upon repeated refusals, and were at last successful.

Hon. James E. Bish from the 3rd, senatorial district was elected to the Illinois legislature by a decided majority. A colored man has represented said district for twenty years and withal there are repeated threats of a contested election on a plea of illegality. The contestants' influence is local, while Mr. Bish's is national. Long live our representative men!

King A. Scott,
P. O. Yazoo City, Miss.

Opening of the Columbian Exposition.

After two years of incessant labor, the World's Columbian Exposition is open to the world.

The "World's Columbian Exposition Illustrated," authentic organ of the Fair, established February, 1891, has kept pace with the great enterprise. This is shown by the complete and excellent "Opening Souvenir Number," the May issue of this magazine.

As an illustrated work, the May issue far surpasses any previous number. It has a specially designed lithographed cover emblematical of the occasion. Among the more prominent illustrations are the frontispiece "Senior Dupuy de Lome," Commissioner General from Spain to the Exposition; full page illustrations of "Opening Ceremonies," "Horticultural Domes," "View on the Lagoon," "Silver Statue of Montana," "Miss Ada Rehan," "Great Terminal Station," "Locomotive Samson," "Will of Queen Isabella," Other illustrations are "President Cleveland," "Series of Tickets," United States' Big Gun," "Japanese Screen," "Dedication of Japanese Ho-o-den Palace," "Death of Queen Isabella," "Columbus Quadrega," "Cathedral Chimes" and "Cleopatra's Needle," from Crystal Cave; "Spanish building," "Spanish Pavilions in Manufacturers and Agricultural Buildings," "Sweden's Building," and a colored Center Piece showing the entire Exposition and Uncle Sam welcoming the nations. Among the leading articles are, "A Columbian Institute," "The Happy Day Has Come," "The Triumph of Centuries," "Hail the Opening of the World's Columbian Exposition," "Accommodations at the Fair," "Official Programme," "Auditor Ackerman's Report," "Terminal Railway Station," "A California's Woman's Work," "Montana's Statue of Justice," "Crystal Cave at the Fair," "Among the State Buildings," and many others of interest.

This number is the richest yet published, and as this is the only publication entirely devoted to the exposition interests, while answering for a complete guide, the entire issues will form an Authentic History of the World's Columbian Exposition. Every person should have a copy of this issue. The publishers want reliable agents in each town. Sample copy of Opening issue sent for twenty-five cents in stamps. Address, J. B. Campbell,
159 Adams St., Chicago, Ill. 1t.

A PITIABLE CONDITION.

Harsh Punishment of a Colored Soldier—Plea for Help.

Editor The Freeman:

I have the honor of making the following statement:

I enlisted in the United States Army Oct. 31, 1892 Was sent to Jefferson Barracks, Mo., and assigned to the Calvary, F Troop, 10th U. S. As soon as I arrived, here I found that white supremacy prevailed in the Post, backed by the commissioned officers. I noticed the food was very poor in our Troop and I complained, which caused the officers to be prejudiced to me. I took sick and during my condition of disability was ordered by the officer of the day to go and chop wood at the Post bakery and I would feel better. "I am not able, sir," I replied. Nothing more was said, until an officer walked up and served a set of charges against me, which read as follows:

Charge—Violation of the Articles of War.

Specifications: First, in this, that he, private Eugene P. Wikinson, having received a lawful command from his superior officer, Lieut. W. H. H. Chapman, officer of the day, to go to the Post bakery and chop some wood, did deliberately refuse to obey said orders This, at Fort Assinniboine, Montana, on or about Feb. 4, 1893.

Trial—Plea not guilty.

Finding—Guilty.

Sentenced to be dishonorably discharged from the service of the United States Army, forfeiting all pay and allowance due, or may become due, and to be confined at hard labor in such Military prison as the Reviewing authorities may see fit, for the period of 1 year. Approved. X

I spent every dollar I could rake and scrape to have my sentence remitted. I succeeded in having it cut down to 3 months. I send you a copy of my trial and sentence so you may know it is true. I have not got a cent and therefore beg of you to take this matter in consideration, and give the letter to some colored minister of some prominent colored church and explain the matter to him, and get them to contribute to me the following articles, that I may be able to leave the Post without stooping to any of them for any of their assistance: 1 pair of pants, 1 coat and vest, 1 hat, pair of shoes and a few dimes to purchase something to eat. I am 900 miles from a city. I therefore submit my case to your charitable assistance Anything you may do to assist me will not only confer a blessing, but will do a service to God. Your obedient servant,

Eugene P. Wilkinson,
Troop F, 10th U. S. Cavalry,
Prison in P. G. H.

A Wishbone Party.

Minneapolis, Minn., Special.

A novel entertainment was given May 25th, it was called a wishbone party and each person was presented with a wishbone at the door, Mr. Benjamin Pierce has accepted a position as second waiter at the Nicollet Hotel, Mr. Pierce is an industrious young man and is much liked by everybody. Mr. James Henley, of the Soo Line, seems to wear quite a smile. David Hubert, will take charge of the St Louis Hotel Minnatonka, June 1st. Mr. Carter Richardson is sick. Mr. Daniel Allen has been sick for two weeks, but is slowly recovering. Mr. Henry Wilkinson is contemplating on going on the N. & P. Mrs. Ollie Smith is able to be out. The May entertainment at St. Peter's A. M. E. church, was a success, the church was crowded to its utmost, and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves until a late hour.

Farming Outlook.

Camden, Ark., Special

Farming through this section is considerably behind, owing to the numerous rains and storms. Though the waters are receding very fast and the outlook seems prosperous. Mrs. A. H. Napoleon, our music teacher, went over to Eagle Mills, on the 16th inst, to assist the Baptist church in a musical entertainment, the affair was a success. She has gone to Hope, Ark, to serve as chorister in the commencement exercises of the public school. Miss Georgia Jordan will act as organist in her absence. The A. M. E. church gave a supper last Friday and Saturday night, it was a success. Mr. C. B. Wallis has purchased a patent ice cream freezer, it is a novelty in every respect, he has it attached to his new grocery store, which has just recently opened, the firm is known as Wallis and Kauffman, they are both energetic business men, may success crown their efforts. The Freeman is fast gaining precedence in this vicinity.

A CONNUBIAL LANDSLIDE.

Swallows Many "Affinative" Unions—A Pythian's Demise.

—Good Samaritans Grand Session—A Second Blind Tom—The "Seasons" For 93—General Notes.

Atlantic City, N. J., Special.

The atmospheric conditions here are not the most favorable for visitors as it keeps rather cool, and those who have families are still absent from our shore due to the school sessions still existing, the finis of which will augment our number of patrons. Atlantic City has been a point noted for her numbers of affinative marriages, but recently there has come a great moral change for within the last ten days no less than four of these affinative marriages have been dissolved and legal one's substituted therefor, and all of these were voluntary legal marriages The wise-acre, who prophesied that the end of time should find its ultimatum 1893 has worked this weal or moral suasion is in the ascendency, I do not know which. Something is doing this good work, however, some of the marriage had existed six or eight years. Rumor has it that more are to follow.

James Hicks, a member of Pythian lodge No. 1, was buried on the 17th. Rev. Israel Jenkins, of Durham lodge No. 1, officiated over the remains. The Pythians gave the brother an excellent burial at Pleasantville. The annual grand session of No. 4, I. O. of Good Samaritans, of New Jersey, will convene in Zion A. M. E church, June 7. 1893. The program is as follows: Entrance of lodges in full regalia; Singing, opening ode; Invocation by Rev. E. E. Havelow, of Mt. Zion lodge No. 44; Welcome address N. L. Durham; Progress of the G. L., by S. E. C. Smith, of Orange, N. J; Annual address, by J. B. Tenbrook, G. C, of Newark; Singing by choir; Address by Sister A. L. Sheppard, of Millville, "Who is G. D. A"; Oration, by J. H. Williams, P. G. C., of Newark; Selections, by Prof. Hollingsworth; Installation of the grand officers; Singing, closing ode. Arrangement committee: Mesdames Nora Robinson, Malinda Woodard, Elizabeth Havelow, Mary Sutton, Annie Dobson, Henrietta Smith, Annie Bell, and Ellen Needs. Messrs. R Robinson, Jerry Robinson, E. E. Havelow, Wm. Bell, Benjamin Shorter, Isaac Satchel, Israel Fernandoz, chairman; Henry N. Clark, secretary. Blind Tom, No. 2, had the use of Zion church, on 25th, inst. This man truly is a marvel and a human phenomena, he is accompanied by Rev. J. H. Manley. Blind Tom, No. 2, claims to be a cousin to the original Blind Tom No. 1. Here heredity plays her part to perfection carrying in the transmission as hands-maids, deformity and talent.

Joseph Willis, one of The Freeman's staunch friends is at the "Senate". Memorial literary at the St. James church, Monday evening, 15th inst. Vice President Rev. Sprigg in the chair. The program was exceedingly interesting, the Excelsior trio S. W. Smith, Jas. Brown and Joseph Williams rendered delightful music which charmed their hearers to ecstacies; the debate was rather sensational to the ladies, being: "Resolved that divorce laws put a premium on immorality rather than a check". This was a conumdrum to some good married folks. Rev. Sturgis, of St. James A. M. E. church, and Rev. Cole, of Zion, seem to be of one mind on harmonizing their flocks, and labors and liberal with their neighbors in the good cause of soul-saving. Rev. Sturgis preached a powerful sermon to a large and attentive audience on the 14th, being his second in pastorate duty, his charge to the church was zealouseness, unity, liberality and loyalty for God.

Prof. M. M. Beamer, of Delaware Branch Normal and Agricultural college, was in Atlantic on 20th, in the interest of students who shall soon leave his institution during the summer vacation, for the college he reports progress. Miss Singleton who has the ladies department in this weekly letter has not been able to regularly contribute but shall hereafter beginning with this. The $1.50 rate will find more ready subscribers and the same can arrange with Miss Singleton, A. F. Davidson or J. E. Williams at 1125 Baltic avenue.

Visiting Ministers.

Danville, Va., Special.

Rev. O. A. Fuller, of Rochester, N. Y., formerly of Danville, is in the city visiting his parents and friends. He left here five years ago to attend Wayland Seminary, Washington, and is now engaged in the Baptist Mission, at Rochester. He will remain here until the 24th of May, and then he will leave for Wayland to attend the Alumni, G. W. Fuller, his brother of Brooklyn, N. Y., accompanying him there. Rev. Wm. E. Carr, of Holbrook street Presbyterian church, preached Sunday the 14th, at High Street Baptist church; also, L. L. Downing, of Lincoln University, preached at Holbrook Street Presbyterian church, Rev. Truett, of Charlottville, Va., preached at Calvary Baptist church, afternoon and night. A colored man was lynched in the Western part of this State last week. Rev. Gullen, of the Lynn Street A. M. E. church, baptized May 14th, Rev. Strange, presiding elder, assisted. Mr. Monroe Carter and wife, Martinsville, Va., passed through the city the 17th, for Washington, D. C. Miss Sue Buford and R. T. Coles, of the V. N. & C. Institute, of Petersburg, Va., arrived in the city last week, they are recent graduates; only one colored man graduated in the business department, a Mr. Coleman Hawkins; several applied for license, but the Judge would not grant them. Rev. S. A. Thomas, of Washington, D. C, preached at Calvary Baptist church Sunday, May 21st. Hon. John E. Massie, Superintendent of Public Instruction, of Virginia, delivered an address at the Academy of Music, Thursday night, at 8:30 o'clock. Mr. B. Johns is quite ill, his mother arrived in the city last week and took him home. Gov. McKiney was in the city recently.

TOM THUMB WEDDING.

A Novel Affair—The Bride and Groom—A Notable Choir.

Helena, Mont, Special.

The Auditorium contained a large audience May 11th to witness the Tom Thumb wedding given for the benefit of the A. M. E. church. The wedding was the point of interest, although there were plenty of good things on the programme. The stage was a bower of beauty decorated with cut flowers, potted plants and the stars and stripes in profusion. It has never looked better since the building was dedicated. The wedding party was made up of children dressed in the style of grown people and was a novel sight. The bride and her attendants presented a handsome appearance in their gowns of white, relieved by the black evening dress of the groom and his attendants. The marriage ritual of the A. M. E. church was used, Master Frank Dutrevieille being the officiating clergyman. In his white surplice and stole he looked like a real pastor.

The bride was Miss Alice Woodcock and the groom Master Geo. Watson. The attendants were Misses Florence Rose, Anderson, Bynum, B. Palmer, Julia Palmer, and Masters Cole and Johnson. The remainder of the programme was made up by singing, instrumental solos and tableaux of the children of the Sunday-school. The Quartette of Messrs. Dorsey, Henderson, Howard and Mitchell sang beautifully, and were encored. The solo, "Spider and the Fly," was rendered most charmingly. The duet, "New-Boom-de-ay," by Masters Johnson and Mason, was splendid. The entertainment closed with "Good Night," represented by a lot of the little ones toddling about in night gowns and caps to drowsy music. The proceeds netted a good sum for the church treasury.

The new choir at the St. James A. M. E. church is splendid and no one should fail to hear it, under the leadership of Prof. E. G. Cole. Rev. J. P. Watson is being invited quite often to address the Gospel Temperance Union (white). Harvey Gatewood and Miss Minnie Jones were married recently, the Rev. J. P. Watson officiating. The Old Fellows gave a grand ball last week. All who attended enjoyed themselves very much. Spring has come at last and we are having bright sunny days. The snow is melting fast. Mr. Richard was shot at last Sunday night, but fortunately the ball struck the fence, missing its mark. Very recently Robt. Brown, Mrs. Bessy Scott and W. Mason joined the A. M. E. church. Rev. J. P. Watson, pastor.

A PUBLISHING COMPANY

Publicly Deposes its Methods and Object—Personals.

Cleveland, O., Special.

There was a largely attended meeting held at Mt. Zion church on the evening of the 16th inst, under the auspices of the Fraternal Printing and Publishing Company. The plans of the company were announced and explained in detail, and the meeting resulted in large additional subscriptions.

Miss Ida Walker left Saturday for Wellington, where she will be the guest of Mrs. Lewis. The community was thrown into profound sorrow at the announcement on Thursday last of the sudden death of Andrew Tolbert. Mr. Tolbert was among the old residents and was highly respected by all who knew him. The funeral services were conducted from Mt. Zion Congregational church Saturday afternoon. Miss Rachael Walker sang at Franklin Ave. Congregational church on last Sunday morning and evening. A very excellent concert will be conducted by J G. Sheldon at Mt. Zion Congregational church the 23rd.

Next Sabbath evening has been set apart by all the churches as a special service for the young men. Miss Stafford, of Kalamazoo, Mich., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Jas. H. Dunjill. Rev. W. H. Coston, who has been traveling in the East in the interest of the Ringwood Journal, returned home during the past week. He delivered a very excellent sermon at St. Andrews Episcopal church on last Sunday evening. Mrs. John L. Ferguson, who was called away by the death of a sister, will spend some time with her mother, at Fredericktown, O., before returning home. Dr. C. I. Mottley is building up an excellent practice among both races.

A NEW ODD FELLOW'S HALL.

School Closing Exercises—A New Episcopal Church.

A Church Rally—Buried Under Masonic Auspices—General Notes.

Spartanburg, S. C., Special.

The brick work on the building of the Colored Odd Fellow's Hall is nearing completion, size 25x60 feet, and is three stories high, when completed, it will be a very handsome building, and will cost $3,500. The closing exercises of the Grant City school, will take place in the Opera House on Thursday evening next, June 1st, 1893; admission: adults 10 cents, children 5 cents Rev. C, Houston, formerly of Charleston, S. C., a layman of the Episcopal church, is now conducting services in the chapel of the Clemons' Colored Educational and Industrial School, with the consent of the principal of the school, Mrs. Mamie V. Clemons, he will organize here an Episcopal church the school, after which, will be run under the auspices of the above named church. The closing exercises of the graded schools will be in the Opera House on next Friday evening, June 2, 1893, admission: adults 10 cents, children 5 cents. The new Macedonia Second Baptist church, that was organized here last November, 1892, by Rev. G. F. Mills, with the letters of only twelve members, has now a membership of thirty, at the organization Rev. R. H. Honesucker, was called pastor. They at once bought a lot on Henry street, on which to build their church, this year they called as pastor, Rev. Went Wallace, of Union, S. C., under whose efforts they have nearly liquidated all debts hanging over the church lot, and will soon proceed to build a new edifice. Deacons W. M. Freeman, Geo. R. Martin and Green Bates. They have a very promising Sunday School, R. P. Ezell is Superintendent. Mr. Richard Hamilton, who died recently, was a member of the Masonic Order. His burial was the first of Masonic ceremony ever witnessed by the colored people of the city. He was also a member of the I. O. of Odd Fellows. May the 14th was rally day in the African Methodist Episcopal church, to raise $5,000 for Allen's University, at Columbia, S. C. The Trinity church of Spartanburg, was taxed $30,00 of that money. A few weeks ago cards were given out and the little folks began their work, on last Sunday when the cards were called for, $40 was placed on the table. The prize offered for the most money collected by any one person, was a two dollar and a half gold piece, which was awarded to Miss Lillie Belle Mills, who collected $4.55. A very interesting sermon on education was preached on the occasion by the pastor, Rev. Hemphill. We are glad to welcome again to our city, Mrs. G. F. Mills, Miss Judith L. Chambers and Miss Emma Massey, students of Benedict College, Columbia, S. C.

A. M. E. QUARTERLY CONFERENCE.

A Man Shot in The Abdomen—The Offender Escapes—University Notes.

Sumter, S. C., Special.

On the 30th ult., the A. M. E. church held their quarterly conference, Dr. Jas. G. Sampson, presided. Over 1,000 people were present, during the recess for reception, a difficulty arose between John Law and James Palmer, in which Palmer was shot in the abdomen. Palmer is not dangerously hurt. Law was arrested, but later in the day he escaped from the constable. Notwithstanding the trouble which arose, it was one of the grandest sessions ever witnessed. A full majority of the ministerial brethren were present, every church was represented. Mrs. Charles Durant died May 2nd, she was very young, she professed faith in Christ in the M. E. church, under the charge of Rev, J. A. Brown, last August, and united with the Shiloh Baptist church, under the charge of Rev. J. E. Harmon. She leaves a husband and three small children. Miss R. E. Andrews, Miss Jennie Walker, Miss Josie Carlos, Miss Davis and the Misses Spears, Andrews, White and others, are doing an excellent work for the race, in the Sabbath school. Look out for the wedding bells of Messers. Walker, Cuthbert, Springle and Neny Brock. The Hon. Geo. W. Murray of the Seventh Congressional District of South Carolina, delivered an eloquent address before Mt. Pisgah A. M. E. Sabbath School on the Seventh inst, showing the necessity of race support of Allen Universaty. The above named school is divided into two bands, Band No, 1, Mr. W. P. Davis, Captain; No. 2, Miss Lillian B. Wolfe, Captain. These bands raised for the month ending May 7th, $61.43, and of this amount, Miss R. E. Andrews, leader of No. 4 class, raised $28.48; some of the classes have not reported as yet.

CAMP LIFE ON THE FRONTIER.

Target Shooting, Lawn Tennis and Social Gatherings the Pastime.

Ft. Custer, Mont., Special.

Target shooting has begun and we have to show that we can shoot as well as talk. Mrs. Whipple and Miss Beatrice Anderson gave a hop to First Sergeant Gosline, and Mr. Simpson, of Co. D., 25th Inft., of Camp Merrett, on the evening of the 10th, inst., at the Post hall, which was a success. Dancing was continued until a late hour, after which, refreshments were served in the dining room attached to the hall. The Lawn Tennis club met in a match game on the 13th, inst., which was a draw. The playing of Mmes. Buckner and Moore was the feature of the game for the Custer club, and Mmes. Porter and Proctor and Mr. Cole for the L. A. Both clubs were warmly cheered. The boys spend their leisure hours angling for the finny host, of which they catch a beautiful supply of trout, pike and cat fish. The troops are happy as they recently received their pay. Mrs. Mary Brown has returned from Kansas City where she has been visiting friends and relatives. Corporal and Mrs. Pinkston have left for Evansville, Ind. They will spend a week visiting the World's Fair in Chicago. Troop K.'s amateur base ball club played a match game with Troop B.'s, of which quite a number are professionals. The score was 8 to 6 in favor of the K.'s. The troops are making preparations to visit Custer battle ground to decorate the graves of the heroes of the Custer massacre of July 25, 1876, on May 30th. Church was largely attended last Sunday. The singing of the choir, led by Corporal Nadall and Mrs. Sweet, was a grand success. The Soldiers' Home Lodge No. 3491, G. U. O. of O. F., had their photographs taken in a body. Mrs. Darington, of Billings, Mont., is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Roane. Our beloved Chaplain will leave in a few weeks to visit his family. His absense will be very much regretted as he is devoted to the enlisted one of the garrison.

PREPAIRING TO BUILD.

A Woman's Organization Which bids Fair to Success.

Kansas City, Mo., Special.

We have an organization in this city known as the woman's League. It was organized Feb. 15th, 1892 and now has a membership of one hundred and seventy five, with the highly esteemed Mrs. J. S. Yates as president. The object of the league is to establish the social and industrial welfare of the race. They now have in operation classes that are doing light needle work and embroidery. It was well attended and highly enjoyed. The league desires to raise money to purchase a lot and erect a building in which they will conduct their classes. They have out sixty subscription books principally among the ladies and if fifty out of sixty should get $10.00 each. The league can purchase a lot for the $500,00. They will be glad to have friends contribute as much as possible. On the 4th of the month the ladies gave their first entertainment. The exercises were rendered by a part of the various schools.

By Immersion and Pouring.

Cincinnati, O., Special.

At 5:30 a. m., last Sabbath morning, there were 24 persons baptized in the river by Presiding Elder Johnson, in the afternoon seven more were baptized by pouring. They were members of Allen Chapel. Mr. A. B. Blackburn, of Springfield, Ohio, was in the city last week, the guest of his friend, Mr. John H. Anderson, of 143 Elm street. Miss Lizzie Nelson, of Clinton street, who has been teaching at Mayslick, Ky., returned home yesterday. Mr. Charles Doll, a graduate from the Cincinnati Law School, passed through the city last week enroute to his home in Chillicothe, Ohio. The Fair at Allen Chapel is meeting with great success, the concerts have been well attended and every one expressed themselves as highly pleased. Some of the best talent of the city have kindly given their assistance in these entertainments, and much of the success is due to them.

Death of an Estimable Lady.

Adairville, Ky., Special.

Miss Minnie Jennings, a beloved Christian girl, died here recently. Miss Anna Finch, of Nashville, who has been attending the bedside of her cousin, Minnie returned to her home on the 10th. Mr. Ike Pike, died on the 8th, leaving six little children, only two years ago they were left motherless. A party consisting of Misses Hummer, Owendroff, Haddox, Powell, and Messers. Bowling, Link, Moore, Simmons, Fisher, Simmons; attended the basket meeting at Cedar Grove, last Sunday. Charlie Watters is all smiles over a daughter, while Charlie McGuire is proud of a son. Elder Larenga Scott also, has a boy visitor at his house. Mr. Oats contemplates opening a skating rink. Patronize The Freeman at $1.50 per year, why not spare that small amount and get a good paper.

Taylorville, Ill.

Those who wish for a place to go on Sunday afternoon, should remember that the doors of the A. M. E. Sunday school stands open to all, young and old. J. A. Bell has returned home after spending a few weeks in Tennessee. Henry Long, of Morrisville, was in town Sunday. Miss Susie Cooper, of Springfield, has returned home after spending a few days with friends and relatives. Messrs. Long and Stokes of Decatur, were in town Sunday. They are prominent young men. Mr. Stokes is one of Decatur's leading dentists. Messrs. G. G. Green and J. Garrison, of Dayton, Tenn., arrived in town last Thursday. S. T. Madison was in Pawnee last Saturday. The grandest party of the season was given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Richardson last Friday night.

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National Y. M. C. A.—History and Prospects of the Order

Among Colored Young Men—Extracts from an Address, by W. R. Hunton, of Norfolk, Virginia.

It has been customary among Association workers to date the beginning of the work among the colored men of our country with the action taken at the International Convention held in Louisville, Ky., in 1877. But there were two important steps taken prior to that convention and leading up to the action referred to, which, in my opinion, should mark the commencement of that department of our work, viz.: First, at the Richmond convention, 1875, among many other requests for prayer sent to the convention by the citizens of Richmond, was one from the pastors of the colored churches of that city, asking that prayer be offered that God would open the way for the extension of the work among the colored men of the South. Major Joseph Hardie, of Selma, Ala., who was president of that convention, spoke in earnest terms of the vast and needy field referred to in the petition, and commended it to the prayerful consideration of the members of the convention.

Second, at the Toronto convention, 1876, a committee was appointed to investigate as to what steps might be taken for the extension of the work among colored men. This committee reported at the Louisville convention already referred to and recommended that the International Committee be instructed to place a man in the field for work among colored men. Six hundred dollars were raised immediately for this purpose and a man was soon afterwards secured for the work.

Thus, we see, that, while the first practical step was taken at the Louisville convention in '77, the real origin of the movement was the petition of the colored ministers of Richmond, Va., two years earlier.

It is not to be understood, however, that nothing had been done in the line of the Y. M. C. A. work by colored men prior to 1875. Associations had been formed in several parts of the South as early as 1870; but these were only spasmodic efforts which had no permanent results. The real work began when the International Convention took hold of it in 1875. The history of this department of the work from 1877 to the present time falls naturally into two periods, covering eleven and five years, respectively.

During the first period, 1877-1888, the work was carried on almost exclusively among the students of the Universities, Colleges and Normal schools of the South. This, as results have since shown, was important and valuable work. Many of the most intelligent element of the colored race became acquainted with the history, methods and principles of Association work, and were prepared to render valuable service in the promotion of the work in large cities during recent years.

In addition to this work in the schools, H. E. Brown, who was then secretary of the International Committee for this department, organized in several cities and towns "Bands" of young men for prayer, Bible study and personal work among their fellows. But these did not prove to be, as indeed they were not intended to be, permanent organizations.

The first local or city Association among colored men was organized at Norfolk, Va., in January, 1888, the beginning of the second period, and the first colored General Secretary began his work there. Since then, in addition to keeping up the work in our Colleges and Normal schools, Associations have been established at Philadelphia, Pa., Washington, D. C., Richmond, Va., Petersburg, Va., Lynchburg, Va., Louisville, Ky., Charleston, S. C., and four other places of less prominence.

The following statistics are taken from the table of Association among colored men in the Year book for 1893, just published by the International Committee: 27 College Associations; 12 local or city Associations; 2,592 members; 4 local Associations have paid $11,600 on real estate; 9 local Associations have Reading rooms; 3 local Associations have bathing facilities; 11 have Gospel meetings; 6 have Bible classes; $5,818 expended during '92 for current expenses.

In addition to the work indicated by the statistics given above, some of these Associations have conducted Health talks, lectures, entertainments, Educational classes and other lines of practical work.

During the past three years five Conferences of representatives of Colored Young Men's Christian Association have been held; three in Virginia and two in Nashville, Tenn.

What of the prospects of this department of our great work? "Lift up your eyes and look upon the fields, for they are white already to harvest."

Of the 7,470,000 colored people in the United States, about 1,500,000 are young men between the ages of 18 and 30 years. Fully seven-eights of this great army of young men are within those states known as the South Atlantic and South Middle states, presenting a vast and compact field for Association work right at our very doors. Throughout all that dark region are open doors on every hand inviting this army of young manhood into the way of every conceivable phase of vice and crime, while only the doors of our churches, and they only at stated times, stand open as a counter attraction against these tremendous evils.

And even in the Northern cities, where there are, comparatively speaking, but few colored young men, there is a great and burning need of organized effort for their salvation. In such great cities as Boston, New York, Cincinnati and Chicago colored young men are going to destruction by the hundreds, and no special organized effort is being made to save them.

As Young Men's Christian Associations, our field is "the young men of the world," and our main object is "to bring them all to a saving faith in Jesus Christ." As Christian workers, you cannot afford to forget or neglect the colored young men who may be in your field, for they are just as truly a part of that field as the young men of any other race or class.

Do not say that the time has not yet come for the extension of this work among colored men. The time has come. It is now, to-day. This may be said to be the construction period among the colored people of this country, the very niche of time for reaching them for Christ. They are entering all fields of study and research, and engaging in all forms of business and professional life. They are building churches, schools and homes. Satan is not waiting for a better time, but is bearing down upon our young men with a tremendous force of evil. Shall Christians sleep while poisonous tares are being sown in this large portion of our Lord's vineyard?

The difficulties which seem to prevent your helping these young men are more imaginary than real. You think it would weaken your own treasury if you should encourage those, who give largely for the support of your Association work, to contribute also for the work among colored men; but experience has shown that there are those in every community who are glad to give for such a worthy cause, if they receive proper encouragement. Again, you may feel that it would be difficult for you to fellowship with these young men, should you try to reach them. But this, too, is imagination. You are likely to look upon all as you remember the one boot black or coal heaver you have known. Do not deceive yourselves. Come among us, and you will find, even in the classes referred, ambitious, faithful and hard working young men, with earnest, honest hearts and genial dispositions. You will find precious souls for whom Christ died.

In closing, permit me to remind you, fellow workers, of the fact that you are witnesses for Christ, and that these millions of colored people are daily reading the testimony you bear in His name. At a reception given a few years ago at the Detroit Young Men's Christian Association, I was asked to speak on the topic "Bridging the Chasm—the Young Men's Christian Association the Span." A very high-sounding title to be sure! But, as I remember, my speech at that time was only common-place. If I were to address you on that topic to-day, I would call upon you to look into the disgraceful chasm that yawns between us—the white and colored people of this country—to-day, and then look to Jesus Christ for wisdom and power to bridge it. In laboring among the young men of my race, I constantly urge them to learn the lesson of Christian love; to love God, and to love all their fellow-men, even their enemies. In this way we are trying to build from our side of the chasm. If you, brethen, will faithfully teach the same lesson of love to the young men of your race, we shall soon join glad hands on the bridge—the Cross of Jesus Christ being the span.

Epworth League Notes.

Huntsville, Ala., Special.

The following is the program for the Epworth League: Quotations by the league; reading, Miss Bessie Martin; selection, Miss Anna Hammonds; recitation, Miss Ella Jones; duette, Misses Hattie and Mamie Beasley; essay, Mrs. Dr. Scruggs; solo, Prof. Riley; essay, Mrs. Anna Cooper; recitation, F. Crynaes; solo, Mrs. Robert Terrell; paper, R. C. Hancock; recitation, Miss Clara Tackler; solo, Mrs. A. E. Douglass; selection, Miss L. B. Rankin; recitation, Miss Emma, Hall; duette, Messrs. Brown and Donegan; selection, Miss M. B. Brown; male quartette. Miss V. L. Moore, teacher at the C. A. Academy, left for her home in Nashville, Tenn. The Baptist church baptising was well attended, over four hundred persons being present. When Eli Patton began to speak, a horse jumped into the middle of the buggies on the bank and caused quite an uproar, but no one was seriously injured.

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Guillotine—A colored Physician Resigns from the State Board of Health—Ten Years for Murder.

Chicago, Ill., Special.

At large a Masonic meeting of the Council of Deliberations, of the A. A. S. Rite Masons, of the state of Illinois, held in the city, May 13th, and presided over by the illustrious Peyton W. Randolph the following named members were expelled from Prince Hall Consistory and from the order for unmasonic conduct: Wm. L. Darrow, T. W. Jones, Henry McClain, Robert C. Waring, Samuel Thompson, Martin Lewis, Henry Graham, Logan Webb, Thomas Lebough, and H. S. Cooper. This Prince Hall Consistory still has over ninety members left and is doing splendid. The Chicago Bee and Free Speech has consolidated. Dr. D. H. Williams has resigned from the State Board of Health. John J. Grant will soon open a fine cigar store on State street. The Conservator has moved its office to 128 South Clark street. Frank Purcell was tried and convicted in the criminal court last week and got ten years in the pen at Joliet on the charge of assault with the intent to murder but it is the opinion of the people that Frank Purcell was very poorly defended. His attorneys were W. W. Johnson and E. G. Alexander, two young colored men who had never tried a case before in the Criminal court of this city as can be recollected. It would be an excellent thing for these young attorneys in the future to learn their business, before they undertake such important work and not send a man to prison for ten years when he should have been acquitted. The people are asking the Rev. John F. Thomas, the pastor of the Olivet Baptist church to resign and leave the church. Rev. W. A. Birck is doing a grand work at the Bethesda church. St. Thomas Episcopal church is being remodled. H. H. Benson, of New York, and James Coleman, of Omaha, Neb, are in the city. Chief Fire Marshall Sminey is a bitter enemy to the colored people of Chicago; he has done all that he can to improve and humiliate the brave colored fireman of Engine No. 21. Let the people call a meeting and denounce this Frenchman.

Sir. D. W. Dempsey, the Grand Chancellor, has organized a new lodge of Knights of Pythias, at Englewood, Ill., and has also suspended from the K. P. order, for conduct unbecoming members: J. W. Womack, Rev. J. L. Thomas, and H. W. Knight. The Odd Fellows had a large union meeting at Bethel church. James E. Bish, the colored member from the 8th District, has been unseated in the legislature of this state. The Hon. Sol. Humphrey has been seated in his place. The matter has been clearly investigated by a committee from the House of Representatives and it clearly shows and appears that this man Bish has not the slightest claim or right to a seat and that Mr. Humphrey was elected by an overwhelming majority. This man Bish never was the choice of the people and so they have nothing to loose or regret about him being put out of his seat.

AN INTERESTING LECTURE

And Debate—A Reward Offered for The Apprehension of Lynchers.

Pine Bluff, Ark., Special.

The debate at Hayti's Hall on Tuesday evening, May 9th, was interesting. The subject: Resolved that, "Man has exerted greater influence in the world than woman," was ably discussed by Messrs. S. L. Harris, R. C. Polk and Rev. C. H. Hunter, for the affirmative, and Dr. R. T. Luis, the Phrenologist, for the negative, the judges decided for the negative. Dr. W. D. Johnson, secretary of the board of education of the A. M. E. church, delivered a very instructive lecture on "money and how to get it" last Monday night at St. John A. M. E. church. The Governor is quite pronounced in his condemnation of the frequent lynchings in this State and has offered a reward of $250 for the apprehension of any of the persons concerned in the late lynching at Bearden, when three colored men were lynched for an alleged assault on a young white man. The letter carriers force has been increased from four to six, the appointees are Messrs. W. H. Battle and M. W. Webb, who have been serving as substitutes. The civil service examination was held here last Saturday, May 13th, there were 37 applicants, about one-third of whom were colored. Hon. Ferd Havis has returned from an extended visit to the North and East. Miss Mary Mosby, of Racine, Wis, who has been visiting in the city, has returned home. She was accompanied by Miss Lena Cobb, who will remain for some time as her guest. There was quite a novel contest at the St. John A. M. E. church entertainment, on last Thursday night, it was a contest, the prize being a fine cake for the gentleman having the oldest coin. The prize was won by Mr. Forest Gay, he being the possessor of a coin 171 years old. The water is reported as falling in the low districts where it has done considerable damage to the crops. All should subscribe for The Freeman at the reduced rate.

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I should like to know the whereabouts of my father. His name was Louis Dorsey and his wife's name was Eliza Dorsey. They used to belong to Dr. Thomas Mattricks in Rappee Parish, La, near Alexandria. He parted with his wife and children near the close of the late war with Gen. Bank's regiment. My grandfather's name was John Dorsey; grandmother by father's side was Anna Dorsey. My grandmother by father's side was named Nellie Mattricks. I also had two uncles whose names were William and John Henry Dorsey, together with three aunts, whose names were Charlotte Ann, Mariah, and Celia Dorsey now residing in Houston. Any information of the whereabouts of Louis Dorsey will be gratefully received by his anxious daughter, Lillie Bates 710 Saulnier St. Houston, Tex. 5-13

I desire to find some of my old friends with whom I lived during slavery. I first belonged to John Stokley, and was sold to Jefferson Burnette. Some of those with whom I lived were, Catherine Burnette, Bob Burnette, Moses Stokley, and Burk Stokley. My object is, to secure information concerning my mother, who lived in North Carolina. Her name was Rebecca Patten; she belonged to John Patten who lived in Ashville, N. C. and at one time owned the Warm Springs. She was married to a man by the name of "Ped" or Thadeus Johnson. My name is Charles Webb, but was owned by Allman, Stokley, and Burnette and always known as Charles Webb. Any information given will be gladly received. I am willing to give a liberal reward to find my mother. Respectfully, CHAS. A. WEBB. 4 15.

I would like to know the whereabouts of my brothers and sisters. They are Missouri Whetstone, Margaret Whetstone, Lettie Whetstone, Jack Whetstone, Harriet Whetstone, Athe Whetstone, and George had a cousin by the name of Anna Means. We were all born in Spartanburgh, South Carolina, and all belonged to Dave Whetstone. My fathers name was Athe Bobo, he was owned by a man named Foster. My mothers name is Jennie Whetstone, she died in South Carolina. Margaret was sold to Bob Kates, who carried her off in a speculator's drove to Georgia. Harriet I. left in Spartanburgh, she has since married a man named Jones, left Athe there also. George, Jack, Missouri, Lettie and I went to Florida with Mike Whetstone, I was brought out to Helena, Texas, by Dave Whetstone. I have not heard from any of them, except my sister Lettie, she was still in Columbus, Florida. My Aunts name was Rina, she and her daughter Hannah belonged to Bob Kates. I am now Christine Whetstone Holt, having married Jno. F. Holt. Will every pastor please read this to his congregation. Any information of the above relatives will be thankfully received by Mrs. Christine Holt, care Jno. F. Holt, Corpus Christi, Texas. 4-22.

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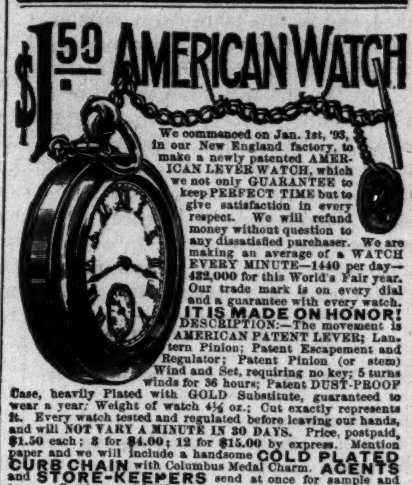

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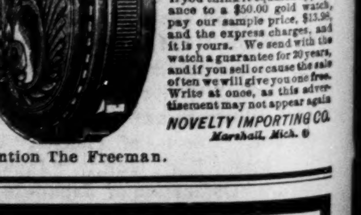

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During the Colombian Exposition.—The Race's Most Gifted Vocalists to Take Part.

Editor Freeman.

Since the day I recieved the letter from the Hon. E. C. Culp, secretary of the Joint committee on ceremonies of the World's Columbian Exposition, granting our people the use of Festival Hall on August 25th 1993, I have been laboring with all the strength at my command to arouse an interest in the breast of our people to aid in the good work, and help me make the day one of lasting pleasure, profit and proud rememberance. Again! as we are known to be a musical people, it has been my duty to endeavor to secure from our many cities, some of the most gifted vocalist among our people. Indeed so deeply have I been engaged in this effort that I have been unable to answer the many letters of encouragement from the sturdy ambitious people among us, who in spite of false lights on the shores, have given me every assurance that there are enough true-hearted and broad-minded intelligent people of color in these United States who can be relied upon to support any movement for the advancement of the race. I shall carry out the programme to the best of my ability. We will open that meeting with prayer to Almighty God, "In whom we live and move and have our being." We have a great deal for which to be especially thankful. Nor shall we fail to beseech Him also to deliver those who are still suffering from oppression and cruelty.

Personally I entertain no unkind feeling towards toward those who have tried to throw stumbling blocks in the pathway of this project. We are all working toward the same, but all are not working in the same way. Nor do we see things in the same light what appears to be useless or even foolish to one, may to another, appear fitting and highly serviceable. Honest differences of opinions and of procedure are worthy of respect.

"Our little systems have their day
They have their day and cease to be,
They are but broken lights of thee,
And thou, O! Lord art greater than they"

The highest officials of Europe and the best people of these United States will go and hear us sing plantation melodies. Now we propose on this occasion to show that we have musical intelligence by interpreting music of a classic order, such as the Heavens are Telling, Watching over Israel, Rossini's Inflammatus, Chorals from Bach's passion music, Beethoven's massian, C. Another distinctive feature will be the rendition of some of our own musical creations and compositions. The Hon. Fred. Douglass is great in soul as he is eloquent in speech will be present and will make an address. To hear him, alone, and to look upon him would more than compensate any one for the trouble and expense of going to Chicago, and when we add to his great name that of the Hon. Jno. M. Langston, Mrs. Fannie Jackson Coppin, the Rev. J. C. Price and other distinguished speakers, surely no trouble should be too great to prevent us from hearing them. We should have the best vocalist in the country to be properly represented. Nor can I ask them to pay their own expenses.

Let every church throughout the land send one of her choirs. All singers are to meet in Chicago Friday August 18th, 1893, for one week's rehearsal. The musical festival will be held in Festival Hall on the Exhibition grounds August 25th, 1893. Mr. J. T. Layton, teacher of music in Washington public schools and choir-master of Metropolitan A. M. E. church, will train and have charge of the chorus. Let all singers who intend going address him, Connecticut avenue near 17th street, Washington, D. C., before May 30th 1893.

We propose to carry out the program in a dignified manner, interpreting the composition of some of the old masters like Handel, Mendellsohn, Rossini, Beethoven, Gounod and Mozart, and rendering some of our own compositions, to show that we are mastering music as a science as well as an art. All this we will do to the glory of God. For it must be remembered that our ancestors always leaned on God with a filial trust and felt after Him in the blackness of darkness God heard their prayers in His own time and snapped the chains of bondage. With our finite minds we can't think and say what our eternal Father ought to do, we can simply say:—

So long Thy power has blest me, sure it still
Will lead me on
O'er Moor and pen, o'er Crag and torrent, still
The night is gone.

I am a composer of music and I am going to try as hard to express my ideas in music as other artists do to express theirs upon canvass or in marble, and if God gives me the grace and the years in which to perfect my talent I may be the forerunner of a Verdi, perhaps a voice crying in the Wilderness. The Joint committee on ceremonies of which Hon. E. Culp is secretary, were exceedingly kind in granting their permission for us to have the hall for a musical festival. But they did not do this until I had submitted my programme showing that the ex-exercises both of musical and literary character were to be of a high order their courtesy can never be forgotten

Respectfully Yours.

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A Murderer Granted a New Trial.

Fort Worth, Texas, Special.

We understand that Jim Toots, the slayer of policeman Lee Waller, has been granted a new trial. The Freeman, the greatest Negro journal in the world, is established at 908, Fortworth. Copies will be furnished at the usual rates. Joe Williams, the barber, looking over some artistic work in The Freeman, said: "We have the greatest race in the world. I wish I could live a thousand years to see the rest of them come." What is known as Baptist Hill is covered with tents, people and teams. Work for the road city yards were begun there Saturday.

The 19th of June will be celebrated at the North Side Park. A. L. Howard, T. G. Curry, Henry Watkins, Thomas Mason and James Johnson are making the necessary arrangements for every body to have a good time. Miss Emma Porter left Tuesday for her home in Missouri. Call at 908 Main street and get a copy of The Freeman. Prof. R. D. Simpson, of Handly, was in the city Saturday. The National Ex-Federal Soldiers' Union was organized in the city of Fort Worth, Aug. 5, 1892. A charter by the state of Texas was issued Feb. 28, 1893. This Union purports to raise a joint capital with which to buy land, build schools and provide for a Soldiers' Home, During the meeting in '92 excursions from nearly all parts of the State brought thousands of people to the city. A much larger attendance is expected in the August reunion this year, which will probably be in Dallas. J. Goodman is chairman of the printing committee; W. A. Taylor, secretary; Geo. Harris, chief. S. W. Woodward, Albert Taylor, John Ausban, James Taylor, Josh Piles, Monroe Alexander and Charles Jones are among other leading members. The city of Fort Worth seems to be at the threshhold of a prosperous era. A New England combine is preparing for a large packing house, at which they propose to pay Kansas City prices, thus checking the shipment of live stock from the state of Texas. The grading of the Chicago & Rock Island R. R is within fifteen miles of the city and will be in soon.

A Hop at an Army Post,

Fort Custer, Mont., Special.

On Thursday evening, May 11th, Mrs. Whipple and Miss B. Anderson gave a lovely hop to their many friends of this garrison at the Post hall which was very highly enjoyed by a number of about 38 couples and the refreshment were served in the post hall dinning room. The music was furnished by the 10th cavalry band with G. S. Thompson as leader. The following names were the guest: The Guest of Company A. 25th infantry, Mr. and Mrs. Archie, Mr, and Mrs. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. Rhone, Miss Clara Brown, and Mrs. Rose. The guest of Troop G. 10th cavalry, Mr. and Mrs. Birins, Mr. and Mrs. Noal, Mr, and Mrs. Elliston, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford, Miss Young and Mr. Johnston, and Mrs. Proctor. Troop B, 10th cavalry, Mr. and Mrs. Murry, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Goins. Guest of troop E, 10th cavalry, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson. Guest of 10th cavalry band, Mrs. Wiggins, Mr. and Mrs. Porter Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, Mr. Terry and Miss B, Anderson. Guest of the garrison, Mr. and Mrs. B. F, Davis. The programme opened by a Schottische lead by Mr. Terry and Miss B, Anderson and at eleven o'clock. The trumpeter sounded mess call and they marched into the dining room, where a very delicate spread awaited them, after which the band played Home Sweet Home. Every one complimented Mrs. Whipple in having such a success and every one went home very congratulated. Mrs. Archie was chosen queen of the hall and her round dancing with Joseph Wooden, of troop G., 10th cavalry was very much admired.

A PROMINENT BUSINESS MAN

Kills His Assailant to Save His Own Life—A Shooting

Affray Which Came Near Precipitating a Mob—A Contractor Shoots a Colored Man—Old Folks' Concert.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Special.

Thursday, May 4th, was show day here and the city was, as usual on such occasion, crowded with people from the rural districts, together with gamblers and confidence men from neighboring towns. Every thing passed off quietly until after the street parade, then the sharpers began their work in various localities, and the result was that many of the dupes were wiser, though poorer, when the curtain of night was pulled down. A group of colored gamblers on the river side was dispersed on account of a fight in which Bob McRae and Lucian Davie figured. Davie was seriously stabbed in the side with a pocket knife.

At night a shooting affray occurred at the revolving swing, which has caused considerable excitement for several days. The shooting was done by Richard A. Phelps, a prominent business man of this city. His victim was the swing engineer. Phelps' statement, which is corroborated by several witnesses, is substantially as follows: "I was just starting home, and on noticing quite a number of suspicious characters about my place of business, thought it advisable to put a revolver in my pocket. I walked across the street to the swing, looking for a friend; was roughly pushed aside by engineer, at the same time cursing me. I apologized for being in his way. This only enraged him more and I then walked off, using some slack in return for his insolence. He at once reached for poker and was soon upon me, beating me. I shot twice and escaped, loosing my hat and revolver in the affray." Mr. Phelps was arrested and placed in jail. Will Beamer was the name of the engineer. Both shots took effect, one ball striking the left arm, the other entering the left side just above the heart. He died in 15 minutes after the shooting. Beamer was from Johnson City, Tenn. Wild rumors caused the colored citizens to get in arms for fear of mob violence to Mr. Phelps. All is quiet at this writing and a fair trial is looked to. We write too early to give details of examining, as trial was continued at instance of prosecution.

The old folks of Virginia St. Baptist church gave two grand entertainments at their church, May 8th and 9th, proceeds to assist in completing their handsome church edifice. Quite a nice sum was realized. Mrs. M. A. Williams, wife of Rev. E. Williams, is doing much in art work. Your correspondent called at Mrs. Williams' studio and was agreeably surprised, as he was kindly escorted through the different departments. At each step we obtained more information and a continual change of picturesque scenery, etc., from the work being done by the large class under the tutorship of this worthy lady. Hon. T. L. Jones, of Nashville, Tenn., will lecture here at Friendship hall, Thursday, June 15, '93. To-morrow (Sunday) Solomon Temple No. 26, G. S. & D. S., will hold their annual service at Main St. Baptist church, and on Monday night will give an enjoyable entertainment at Friendship hall. Music by Hopkinsville Cornet band. A white turnpike contractor shot a colored man because he refused to work for the price offered. The contractor says he was just fooling and is sorry he shot the colored man. Mr. Nolen (white), while driving wrecklessly through the streets, ran into Deacon Irvin Lander, colored, bruising him considerably. Mr. Nolen was seriously injured. Mrs. Kittie Nelson, of St. Louis, is here to the pleasure of host of relatives and friends.

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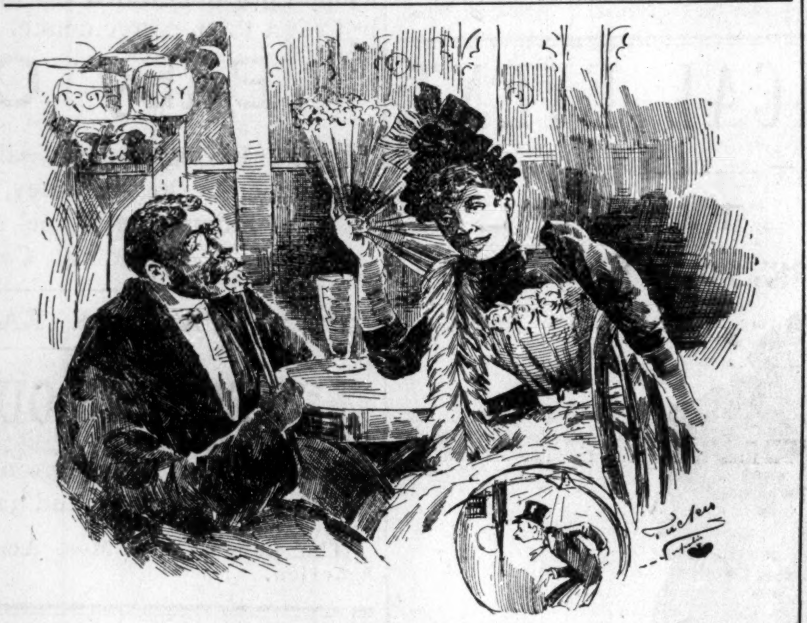

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A Squaw Hop.

Davenport, Iowa, Special.

The entertainment given at the Hibernian hall, entitled the Squaw Hop, was a grand affair. The greatest feature of the evening was Shawdows, which sold fast to the boys, Many people of Davenport attended the entertainment in Rock Island given by the Y. P E. Mrs. Pharmer has gone to the World's Fair. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sterling have returned from Chicago, after a pleasant visit with friends and relatives. Many witnessed the baptising last Sunday of the A. M. E. church.

John Taylor had his arm fractured while carrying ties. Mr. and Mrs. Al Akemon have gone to Denver, Col., to reside. Mr. Greenway and wife, of Muscatine, spent the Sunday in the city. New officers were elected last Friday evening at the Sewing circle of the Third Baptist church. For president, Mrs. J. H. Henry; secretary, Miss Nora Dilliard; treasurer, Mrs. Linair. Elder Turner, who was once a resident of Davenport, and a popular man, was arrested in Des Moines, Ia., from a house of ill fame. Mr Turner is the man who was around last fall soliciting names for Chaplain in the U. S. Army. He was also a very strong Democrat. Such is the downfall of man. Harry Richardson has returned home from Collinsville, Ill., where he has been going to school. The Progress club, which was reorganized some time ago, is having some very interesting meetings. Miss Emma Lewis has returned to the city.

A Baptizing.

Americus, Ga., Special.

Rev. S. A. McNeal baptized fifteen converts last Sunday. Americus is still thriving from one degree to another. The merchants are all doing a very good business. The club of Faithful Workers has not yet disbanded. O H. Russell and B. W. Warren spent a pleasant visit in Savannah last week. J. P. Perry has left for Cincinnati, O., where he will spend two weeks and then visit Chicago for a month. From there he will return home. J. E. Bryan, who has been attending the State College in Savannah, has returned home. Remember no papers are sold only for cash. J. W. Russell and son's base ball team have not yet lost a game. Jake and Abe have the record of being the best pitcher and catcher in the South. Both of them live here. We are sorry that Miss Willie B. Clark does not seem to improve very much. The concert that was held at the First Baptist church was a success.

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Everbody will be at Masonic Temple, June th. t f

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Hear Nettie Maud Christy, the charming soloist, who will sing with Batson at Masonic Hall, Thursday, June 8th.

As ever the air is full of phantom projects commercial, matrimonial and otherwise. It is yet to determine how many will strike terra firma.

Only on rare occasions may you expect to be entertained by Hart's orchestra, which will appear at Masonic Temple, Thursday, June 8th.

The Independent Order of G. S. and D. of S. will have their annual sermon preached at Blackford St. A. M. E. church Sunday, 28th inst., at 8 o'clock.

Miss Nellie Knox, the taking elocutionist, will add to the menu of attractions at Masonic Hall the evening of June 8th.

Time is now ripe to put in practice the various resolutions touching economy in living, which you resolved upon when "Fields were white and forest bare."

Mr. Thomas Smith, of number nine engine house, celebrated the seventeenth anniversary of his connection with this branch of the fire department, last Monday.

Mrs. Batson has expressed herself as ever pleased to appear before Indianapolis audiences, which, from the standpoint of critical appreciation, she considers second to none. Remember date, Thursday, June 8th.

Mrs. E. E. Cooper, accompanied by her mother and daughter Charlotte, left last Thursday for Washington, D. C., her future home. Mrs. Cooper will be missed by a circle of friends who regret her departure.

The funeral of Mrs Armstrong occurred last Tuesday afternoon from the Second Baptist church under the auspices of the United Sisters of Friendship, Rev. Carr officiating. She leaves a husband and a child.

The Beeler street Baptist church and South Calvary Baptist Christian Endeavor societies will hold a joint service at the South Calvary church Sunday May 28th, at half past two o'clock. An interesting program will be rendered, and excellent music will be furnished by the new South Calvary choir led by Prof. T. Q. Brown. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Arrangements are on foot to make the coming engagement of Mme. Flora Batson Bergen an event of high art and rare musical and literary setting. Masonic Temple has been secured for the event and an ovation is anticipated. Remember the date, June, 8th. tf.

Allen Chapel announces a grand prize oratorical and elocutionary contest at that church, June 9th. Five dollars cash will be given in prizes to the first and second best contestants. Six high school students will compete and the programme will be both interesting and elevating. Keep the date in mind and prepare for a treat. t. f.

The funeral of Mr. Cyrus Lewis took place last Sunday afternoon from the Second Baptist church, under the auspices of the Independent Son's of Honor. The remains were not interred until Monday, awaiting the arrival of a son, Samuel Lewis from Minneapolis.

Hear Flora Batson, the Patti of her race, at Masonic Temple, June 8th. Messrs. Knox & Miller, managers,

The woman's Missionary society held an interesting two-day session at Bethel A. M. E. church, on Thursday and Friday of last week; an encouraging number of delegates were present and much benefit was derived. A paper by Mrs Teister, of Green Castle, on the subject of Missions was highly appreciated.

Hart's orchestra will furnish the music at the Batson musicale at Masonic Temple, June 8th.

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Obituary.

Dicy James was born Dec. 24th, 1802, in Halifax county, N. C., daughter of Benjamin and Sallie James, and was married to Gilford Brooks in 1816. There was born unto them 12 children, seven of whom survive her. They emigrated to Hamilton county, Ind., where she lived 42 years. She died May 11th, 1893; she was 90 years of age at the time of her death. The number of her children, grandchildren and great grand children aggregate 90. Two weeks prior to her death the family were awakened very early one morning by a noise and found she had arisen from her bed and was shouting and praying. She died in full triumph of faith. Calvin Brooks, of Indianapolis, is a son of the deceased.

A Crack Fire Company.

Through the courtesy of fireman Charles Floyd, a Freeman representative was recently shown through the building known as Wheelhouse No. 9; Fireman Charles Howard, captain. The skill and alacrity for which this company has become famous is too well known to necessitate lengthy comment hence will mention other details which should be of interest to our readers. This house is situated at the W. corner Ash and Seventh streets, and though in outward appearance not especially inviting, redeems itself in its well regulated interior. It contains an upper and lower floor, the latter containing the cart and other fire extinguishing appliances, with horse stalls in the rear, separated by electric-automatic exits, above is the reading room, dormitory and bath rooms, the former handsomely carpeted. The one containing books, periodicals etc., and house plants in profusion, while the other with its tiers of beds with snowy white appointments present a very home-like appearance. Several handsome pieces of furniture, tokens of appreciation from manufacturing firms who have been benefitted by their efficiency grace the rooms. Perfect cleanliness is visible on every hand and altogether, no one need be ashamed of Indianapolis' colored fire company.

REV. CHARLES WILLIAMS.

An Energetic Pastor—Marvelous Success Attends His Labor—Remarks.

Last September, the congregation and friends of South Calvary church, were promised that if the sum of $200 was raised by the first Sunday in January, 1893, to pay off the church debt, that a free entertainment would be given them, and accordingly, a supper, consisting of hams, chickens, fish, cakes, pies and ice-cream, was placed at their disposal. This entertainment was one of the grandest affairs that has ever taken place in the State, in the way of a church social, and such is the verdict of 400 people. The attendance was large, among whom was, Rev. J. W. Carr, who expressed surprise and gratification at what his eyes beheld. Rev. Carr gave a short address on the progress of the church. The welcome address was by the pastor, Rev. C. T. Williams. Rev. Williams has proven to be the right man in the right place, thirteen years ago Elder Williams preached his trial sermon in this church, of which, he was at that time a member. Two years from that date, he was granted license, and was called to the church as pastor, eleven years ago he found the church without a dollar or a foot of ground, and with a membership of thirty To day the membership is 250, and their property worth $2 500 and is paid for. Rev. Williams is the only preacher in the State who pastors the church where he preached his first sermon. This feast means victory over opposition, Rev. Williams holds in grateful remembrance the following named persons who assisted as managers, chairmen, waiters, etc: Sisters Kincade. Sadie Miller, McWilliams, Ada Battle, Hines, Freeman, Lizzie Tyler, Flora Meredith, Jennie Harris, Mrs. C. Jackson, Harriet Achens, Maggie Rogers, Nellie Richardson, Mary Williams, Brooks. Brothers Harden, Dave Miller, Mustin, J. Cross, L. Maxey, Eli Artis, F. Owens, G. King. Committee:—Mesdames Mustin, J. Denny, Harriet Nevels and Brothers Meridith and Cilvester Harris, Mesdames. L. Allen, Annie Smith, V. Williams, Miss Mena Battle, clerk of committee. Table Waiters:—Dave Gee, Sam Dugan, Bruce Williams, Albert Hester, Eli Artis. Rev. C. F. Williams extends his heartfelt thanks to the First Baptist church of Irvington and all friends, for service rendered in any way. Reporter on South side, Josie Easton.

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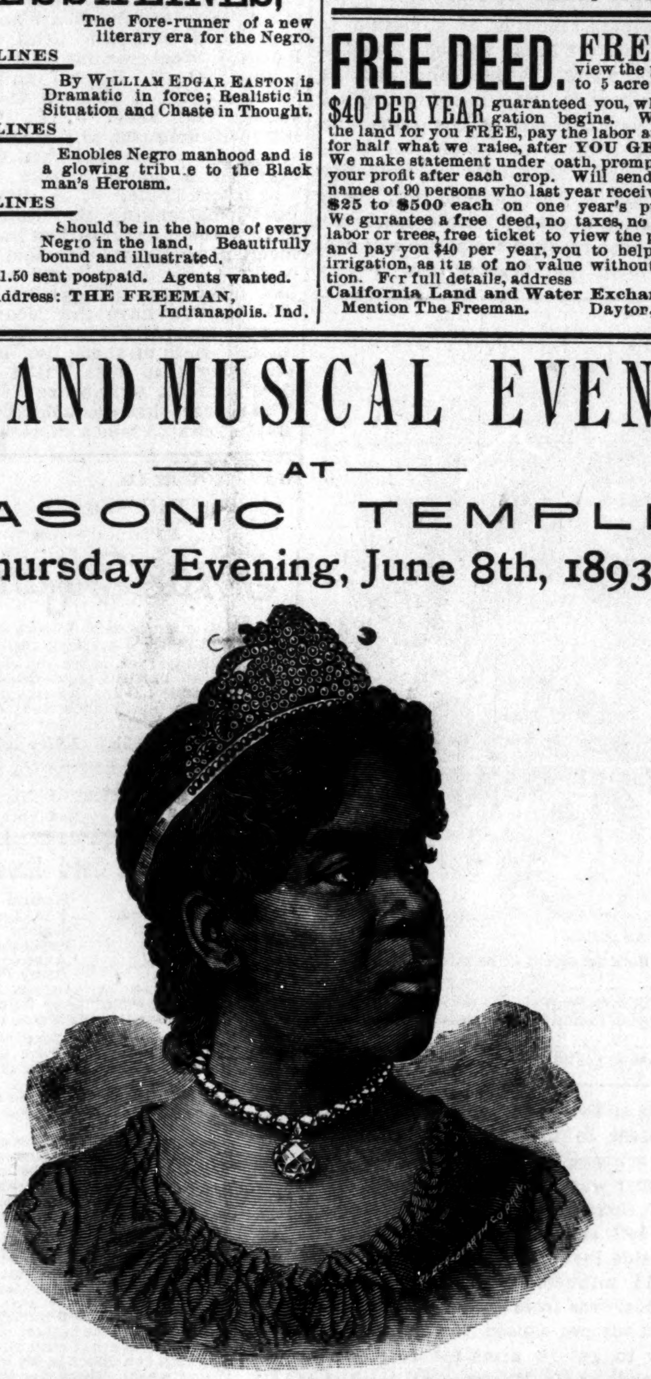

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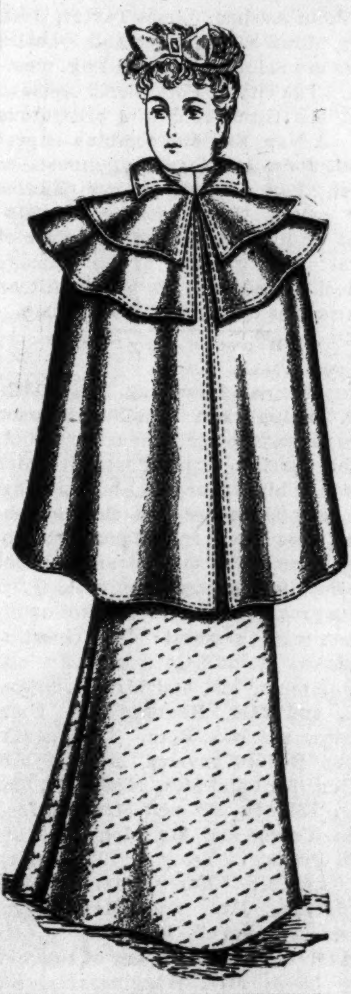

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